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[COP.Senate.gov](#) now features enhanced access to Panel reports, hearings, and personal stories

WASHINGTON, D.C.—TODAY, January 12th, 2009, the Congressional Oversight Panel (COP) announced the launch of its new website. The new, more user-friendly website not only makes it easier to access the Panel's oversight reports and to submit questions and suggestions, it also provides access to video footage of the Panel's hearings, a regularly updated news blog, and featured personal stories that have been previously submitted through the website.

"A critical part of the Panel's work is not only to provide the public with an easy way to find out how their taxpayer dollars are being used, but also to make sure that the voice of the American people is heard in the oversight process," said Elizabeth Warren, the Chair of the Oversight Panel. "We hope that all Americans will use [COP.Senate.gov](#) as both a source of information, and also to pose questions, make suggestions, and share their own stories."

Among the features of the updated website are:

- Downloadable versions of the Panel's first two reports, including the question-by-question grid detailing each of Treasury's responses to the Panel's questions in the second report.
- Complete video of the Panel's field hearing in Clark County Nevada.
- A blog of important news stories about the TARP and the economic crisis.
- A video introduction from Panel Chair Elizabeth Warren for the Second Oversight Report.

With the launch of the new website, the Panel is encouraging all Americans to ask their own questions, make their own suggestions, and share their personal stories through the enhanced online submission form.

The first version of the Panel's website was launched on December 10th, 2008 with the release of the Panel's first report.

The Congressional Oversight Panel was created to oversee the expenditure of Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) funds authorized by Congress in the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (EESA) and to provide recommendations on regulatory reform. The Panel members are: Congressman Jeb Hensarling (R-TX), Richard H. Neiman, Superintendent of Banks for the State of New York, Damon Silvers, Associate General Counsel of the AFL-CIO, former US Senator John E. Sununu (R-NH), and Elizabeth Warren, Leo Gottlieb Professor of Law at Harvard Law School.