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On May 24, President Donald Trump nominated Dr. Christopher Fall for the position of Director of the Office of Science at the Department of Energy (DOE). The DOE Office of Science is the nation's largest supporter of basic research in the physical sciences, supporting fundamental energy research at DOE laboratories and more than three hundred institutions of higher education in every U.S. state and the District of Columbia. Dr. Fall is currently the acting head of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E), a program within DOE that helps transition promising energy research into viable commercial technology. Previously, Dr. Fall served over six years in various positions at the Office of Naval Research, including acting Chief Scientist and Deputy Director of Research for STEM and Workforce. He was also the Assistant Director for Defense Programs in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy under the Obama administration. Dr. Fall has a PhD in Neuroscience and a BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Virginia, as well as an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management. To track the confirmation process of key geoscience presidential nominations from the Trump Administration, visit AGI's Federal Nominations page.

Sources: U.S. Department of Energy; White House.
