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To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish an environmental export program, and for other purposes.

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Mr. LAUTENBERG introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

To require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish an environmental export program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Greentech Jobs Initiative Act of 1993”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Findings; policy; purposes.

TITLE I—EXPORT PROGRAMS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION AGENCY

- Sec. 101. Definitions.
- Sec. 102. Environmental protection agency global greentech initiative.
- Sec. 103. Environmental technology information.
- Sec. 104. International environmental technology financing program.
- Sec. 105. Environmental export technology training.
- Sec. 106. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE EXPORT ENHANCEMENT ACT
OF 1988

- Sec. 201. Advisory committee.
- Sec. 202. Study of export promotion practices.
- Sec. 203. Environmental export information center and outreach program.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS; POLICY; PURPOSES.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

3 (1) the estimated dollar amount of the world
4 market for environmental technologies, goods, and
5 services is expected to grow at a rate of 5 percent
6 per year, and the amount is expected to reach
7 \$300,000,000,000 by the year 2000;

8 (2) the Administrator of the Environmental
9 Protection Agency has the expertise to play an active
10 role in the export assistance activities of the Federal
11 Government relating to—

12 (A) the demonstration of innovative and
13 proven solutions to environmental problems in
14 foreign countries; and

15 (B) the development and dispersal of inno-
16 vative and proven environmental technologies.

17 (b) POLICY.—It is the policy of the Federal Govern-
18 ment to—

1 (1) foster the export of proven, cost-effective
2 environmental technologies, goods, and services to
3 assist in achieving the environmental objectives of
4 the Federal Government;

5 (2) promote international economic and social
6 development on a sustainable basis;

7 (3) improve the competitiveness of the United
8 States in international trade;

9 (4) reduce the balance of trade deficit of the
10 United States through the export of environmental
11 technologies and technological expertise;

12 (5) retain and create manufacturing and related
13 service jobs in the United States;

14 (6) develop markets for environmental tech-
15 nologies to be used in meeting the environmental
16 needs of foreign countries; and

17 (7) provide financial assistance to foster in-
18 creased participation by business concerns of the
19 United States in the financing, ownership, design,
20 construction, or operation of environmental tech-
21 nology projects in foreign countries.

22 (c) PURPOSES.—It is the purpose of this Act to—

23 (1) develop information on environmental tech-
24 nology testing, demonstration, and evaluation;

1 (2) create financial mechanisms to assist do-
2 mestic business concerns in establishing and operat-
3 ing technology projects in foreign countries;

4 (3) provide environmental training for export
5 assistance officers; and

6 (4) establish a central repository for informa-
7 tion on environmental exports.

8 **TITLE I—EXPORT PROGRAMS OF**
9 **THE ENVIRONMENTAL PRO-**
10 **TECTION AGENCY**

11 **SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.**

12 As used in this title:

13 (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
14 trator” means the Administrator of the Environ-
15 mental Protection Agency.

16 (2) BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term “business
17 concern” means a private firm, corporation, or other
18 entity that the Administrator determines to be ap-
19 propriate.

20 (3) DEVELOPING COUNTRY.—The term “devel-
21 oping country” means a country eligible for foreign
22 assistance from the United States, and includes the
23 countries of—

24 (A) Central and Eastern Europe; and

1 (B) the independent states of the former
2 Soviet Union.

3 (4) DOMESTIC BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term
4 “domestic business concern” means a business con-
5 cern whose principal place of business is the United
6 States.

7 (5) ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT ACTIVITY.— The
8 term “environmental export activity” means an ac-
9 tivity associated with the export of environmental
10 technology.

11 (6) ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY.— The term
12 “environmental technology” means a technology,
13 good, or service that reduces environmental risks
14 by—

15 (A) fulfilling a function other than protec-
16 tion of the environment with less impact on the
17 environment than other technologies, goods, and
18 services; and

19 (B) protecting or enhancing the environ-
20 ment through pollution control or environ-
21 mental remediation.

22 (7) FOREIGN BUSINESS CONCERN.—The term
23 “foreign business concern” means a business con-
24 cern whose principal place of business is a foreign
25 country.

1 (8) HOST COUNTRY.—The term “host country”
2 means a foreign country that—

3 (A) is the participant in, or the site of, a
4 proposed innovative environmental technology
5 project under section 104; and

6 (B) is either—

7 (i) classified as a country eligible to
8 participate in development assistance pro-
9 grams of the Agency for International De-
10 velopment pursuant to applicable laws (in-
11 cluding regulations); or

12 (ii) a developing country.

13 (9) INNOVATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL TECH-
14 NOLOGY.—The term “innovative environmental tech-
15 nology” means a new technology (or a related good
16 or service) that—

17 (A) would effect a significant and cost-ef-
18 fective reduction in an environmental risk (as
19 determined by the Administrator);

20 (B) represents a significant technological
21 advance (or in the case of a related good or
22 service, is associated with a technology that rep-
23 resents a significant technological advance); and

24 (C) would result in a high degree of social
25 benefit from private investment.

1 (10) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
2 means the Secretary of Commerce.

3 **SEC. 102. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**
4 **GREENTECH JOBS INITIATIVE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall establish
6 and carry out a program to be known as the “Greentech
7 Jobs Initiative”.

8 (b) DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR.—In carrying
9 out the Greentech Jobs Initiative, the Administrator
10 shall—

11 (1) establish a program to develop environ-
12 mental technology information pursuant to section
13 103;

14 (2) establish an International Environmental
15 Technology Financing Program pursuant to section
16 104;

17 (3) provide for environmental training pursuant
18 to section 105;

19 (4) participate in the establishment and oper-
20 ation of the Environmental Export Information Cen-
21 ter and Outreach Program pursuant to section
22 2313(g) of the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 (as
23 added by section 203);

24 (5) ensure the participation by a representative
25 of the Environmental Protection Agency on the En-

1 vironmental Trade Working Group of the Trade
2 Promotion Coordination Committee, as required
3 under section 2313(b) of the Export Enhancement
4 Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4728(b));

5 (6) ensure the coordination of the environ-
6 mental export promotion activities of the Environ-
7 mental Protection Agency with the export promotion
8 activities of the Department of Commerce and other
9 Federal agencies; and

10 (7) cooperate with the Secretary—

11 (A) to facilitate contacts between persons
12 and entities that possess environmental tech-
13 nologies and expertise and persons and entities
14 that need the environmental technologies and
15 expertise;

16 (B) to participate in environmental trade
17 missions and trade fairs;

18 (C) to provide technical assistance to State
19 export promotion offices, including information
20 sharing and training; and

21 (D) to promote the level of awareness of
22 environmental problems of officials of financial
23 institutions of the Federal Government.

1 **SEC. 103. ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall establish
3 a program to foster the development and international dis-
4 semination of credible data and information concerning
5 the performance, costs, potential applications, and envi-
6 ronmental applications of competitive technologies of the
7 United States (referred to in this section as the “pro-
8 gram”).

9 (b) COORDINATION OF EFFORTS.—The Adminis-
10 trator shall coordinate the activities of the program with
11 the activities of—

12 (1) the Environmental Trade Promotion Work-
13 ing Group of the Trade Promotion Coordination
14 Committee established under section 2313(b) of the
15 Export Enhancement Act of 1988 (15 U.S.C.
16 4728(b));

17 (2) national laboratories;

18 (3) appropriate officials of institutions of higher
19 education; and

20 (4) representatives of nongovernmental groups
21 and organizations.

22 (c) DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR.—

23 (1) TESTING.—In carrying out the program,
24 the Administrator shall conduct a program of field
25 and laboratory testing of new and innovative envi-
26 ronmental technologies. Under the testing program,

1 the Administrator shall designate categories of inno-
2 vative environmental technologies to receive priority
3 for testing. The Administrator shall designate the
4 categories on the basis of international needs for en-
5 vironmental technologies.

6 (2) PROTOCOLS FOR PRODUCT TESTING; DIS-
7 SEMINATION OF INFORMATION.—In carrying out the
8 program, the Administrator shall—

9 (A) develop testing protocols and a peer re-
10 view process to obtain technology performance
11 data; and

12 (B) disseminate the information obtained
13 pursuant to subparagraph (A) to the appro-
14 priate officials of Federal agencies, departments
15 and agencies of States, institutions of higher
16 education, and industrial testing organizations.

17 (3) DEMONSTRATIONS; EVALUATIONS.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the
19 program, the Administrator shall establish a
20 demonstration program to conduct projects to
21 demonstrate environmental technologies and
22 evaluate the technologies by applying the test-
23 ing protocols developed pursuant to paragraph
24 (2).

1 (B) DEMONSTRATION TEAM.—To carry
2 out a demonstration project referred to in sub-
3 paragraph (A), the Administrator shall estab-
4 lish a team of individuals with recognized exper-
5 tise in fields related to environmental tech-
6 nologies who represent professional societies, in-
7 stitutions of higher education, Federal agencies
8 and departments and agencies of States. The
9 Administrator shall, by regulation, provide for
10 the administration of, and compensation for,
11 members of each team.

12 (C) DEMONSTRATION.—With respect to
13 the demonstration projects referred to in sub-
14 paragraph (A), the Administrator shall—

15 (i) solicit applications from persons
16 and entities for the demonstration and
17 testing of an environmental technology;

18 (ii) approve each application that
19 meets requirements that the Administrator
20 shall establish by regulation;

21 (iii) conduct a demonstration project
22 for each applicant that—

23 (I) submits an application ap-
24 proved by the Administrator; and

1 (II) enters into an agreement
2 with the Administrator to accept such
3 terms for the demonstration project
4 as the Administrator determines to be
5 appropriate; and

6 (iv) establish a schedule of fees that
7 shall—

8 (I) as a condition to carrying out
9 the demonstration, be assessed by the
10 Administrator to cover, in whole or in
11 part, the cost of the demonstration
12 and testing of an environmental tech-
13 nology under this paragraph; and

14 (II) allow for adjustments by the
15 Administrator to take into account
16 the ability of an applicant to pay a fee
17 under the schedule.

18 (4) ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY PRO-
19 FILES.—In carrying out the program, the Adminis-
20 trator shall publish monographs of technological ap-
21 proaches to address specific environmental problems.
22 Each monograph published under this paragraph
23 shall identify each available environmental tech-
24 nology and emerging environmental technology that
25 could address the environmental problem that is the

1 subject of the monograph, and describe, with respect
2 to the environmental technology, the—

3 (A) performance costs;

4 (B) benefits;

5 (C) limitations; and

6 (D) design criteria.

7 (5) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT.—In carry-
8 ing out the program, the Administrator shall estab-
9 lish a research and development program. If the Ad-
10 ministrator determines that a cost-effective tech-
11 nology is needed to meet environmental goals in 1 or
12 more foreign countries, the Administrator shall, to
13 the extent practicable, conduct a research and devel-
14 opment project under the program to meet the iden-
15 tified need.

16 **SEC. 104. INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY**
17 **FINANCING PROGRAM.**

18 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator, in co-
20 operation with the Administrator of the Agency for
21 International Development, and in consultation with
22 the other members of the Environmental Trade Pro-
23 motion Working Group (in this section referred to as
24 the “interagency working group”) established under
25 section 2313 of the Export Enhancement Act of

1 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4728), shall establish an environ-
2 mental technology financing program to carry out
3 the purposes described in subsection (b).

4 (2) WRITTEN AGREEMENT.—Not later than
5 150 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
6 the Administrator and the Administrator of the
7 Agency for International Development shall enter
8 into a written agreement to carry out this section.

9 (3) AGREEMENTS RELATING TO CERTAIN FOR-
10 EIGN COUNTRIES.—With respect to any foreign
11 country that does not receive assistance from the
12 Agency for International Development, the Adminis-
13 trator may, if appropriate, enter into an agreement
14 with the head of another Federal agency to provide
15 the assistance that would otherwise be provided pur-
16 suant to paragraph (2).

17 (b) IDENTIFICATION.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to the agreements
19 required by subsection (a), the Administrator, in
20 consultation with the Administrator of the Agency
21 for International Development, each head of a Fed-
22 eral agency who is a signatory to an agreement
23 under subsection (a)(3), the Environmental Trade
24 Promotion Working Group, representatives from do-
25 mestic business concerns, and representatives from

1 foreign countries, shall develop mechanisms to iden-
2 tify projects in host countries that could benefit
3 from environmental technologies.

4 (2) LIST OF PROJECTS.—Not later than 240
5 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and pe-
6 riodically thereafter (as determined by the Adminis-
7 trator), the Administrator shall prepare a list of the
8 projects identified pursuant to paragraph (1).

9 (c) FINANCIAL MECHANISMS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to the agreement
11 under subsection (a), the Administrator, acting
12 through the Administrator of the Agency for Inter-
13 national Development (or the head of a Federal
14 agency who is a signatory to an agreement under
15 subsection (a)(3)), shall—

16 (A) establish appropriate financial mecha-
17 nisms to increase the participation of domestic
18 business concerns with respect to supplying en-
19 vironmental technologies in developing coun-
20 tries; and

21 (B) use financial assistance authorized
22 under this section to counterbalance assistance
23 provided by foreign governments.

24 (2) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The financial as-
25 sistance authorized under this section may be—

1 (A) provided in combination with other
2 forms of financial assistance, including funding
3 from sources from foreign countries and other
4 non-Federal sources that is available to fund a
5 project; and

6 (B) used to assist domestic business con-
7 cerns in the development of financing packages
8 for environmental technology projects that use
9 other Federal financial assistance programs.

10 (3) APPLICABILITY OF OBLIGATIONS OF THE
11 UNITED STATES.—The obligations of the United
12 States under the Arrangement on Guidelines for Of-
13 ficially Supported Export Credits established
14 through the Organization for Economic Cooperation
15 and Development shall apply under this section.

16 (d) SOLICITATIONS FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
18 the date of enactment of this Act, and as appro-
19 priate thereafter (as determined by the Adminis-
20 trator), the Administrator, in cooperation with the
21 Administrator of the Agency for International Devel-
22 opment and each head of a Federal agency who en-
23 ters into an agreement under subsection (a), shall
24 solicit proposals from domestic business concerns of

1 the United States for environmental projects in host
2 countries.

3 (2) CONTENTS OF PROJECTS.—A project re-
4 ferred to in paragraph (1) shall be designed to pro-
5 vide assistance in a host country in carrying out a
6 project identified and listed pursuant to subsection
7 (c). The assistance may include engineering design,
8 demonstration, transportation, personnel training,
9 testing, and financing, except that no assistance may
10 be provided or used under this Act for the purchase
11 or construction of capital equipment or for the rou-
12 tine operations of a business concern.

13 (3) REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECTS.—Each so-
14 licitation made by the Administrator under this sub-
15 section shall include notification of the following re-
16 quirements relating to projects conducted under this
17 subsection:

18 (A) Each domestic business concern that
19 submits a proposal in response to a solicitation
20 under this subsection shall have an equity inter-
21 est (as defined and determined by the Adminis-
22 trator) in the project that is the subject of the
23 proposal.

24 (B) Each project that is approved by the
25 Administrator shall use a technology developed

1 by a domestic business concern to meet any ap-
2 plicable environmental requirements of the host
3 country.

4 (C) Each project proposal shall be submit-
5 ted by, and carried out by, a domestic business
6 concern, except that the Administrator may ap-
7 prove a project to be conducted pursuant to a
8 joint venture or other arrangement that teams
9 a domestic business concern with a foreign
10 business concern.

11 (e) CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DOMESTIC
12 BUSINESS CONCERNS.—Pursuant to the agreements
13 under subsection (a), the Administrator, in cooperation
14 with the Administrator of the Agency for International
15 Development and each head of a Federal agency who en-
16 ters into an agreement under subsection (a), and in con-
17 sultation with the interagency working group, shall estab-
18 lish a procedure to provide financial assistance to a domes-
19 tic business concern for a project identified under sub-
20 section (c) in any case in which a solicitation for the
21 project is conducted by a host country or a multilateral
22 lending institution.

23 (f) OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.—Pursuant to
24 the agreements under subsection (a), the Secretary, in co-
25 operation with the Administrator of the Agency for Inter-

1 national Development and each head of a Federal agency
2 who enters into an agreement under subsection (a), and
3 in consultation with the interagency working group,
4 shall—

5 (1) establish eligibility criteria for host coun-
6 tries;

7 (2) periodically review the environmental needs
8 of host countries and export opportunities for do-
9 mestic business concerns for the development of
10 projects in host countries;

11 (3) consult with appropriate officials of the gov-
12 ernments of host countries to determine the level of
13 interest in, and support for, potential projects under
14 this section; and

15 (4) determine whether each project selected
16 under this section is developmentally sound, as de-
17 termined under the criteria developed by the Devel-
18 opment Assistance Committee of the Organization
19 for Economic Cooperation and Development.

20 (g) SELECTION OF PROJECTS.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to the agreements
22 under subsection (a), the Administrator, in coopera-
23 tion with the Administrator of the Agency for Inter-
24 national Development and each head of a Federal
25 agency who enters into an agreement under sub-

1 section (a), shall, not later than 120 days after a
2 deadline for receipt of proposals in response to a so-
3 licitation under subsection (e) that the Adminis-
4 trator shall establish, select 1 or more project pro-
5 posals for approval.

6 (2) SELECTION.—In selecting a project pro-
7 posal for approval, the Administrator, in cooperation
8 with the Administrator of the Agency for Inter-
9 national Development or the appropriate head of a
10 Federal agency referred to in paragraph (1), shall
11 consider—

12 (A) the ability of the domestic business
13 concern, in cooperation with the host country,
14 to undertake and complete the project;

15 (B) the degree to which the equipment to
16 be included in the project is designed and man-
17 ufactured in the United States;

18 (C) the long-term technical and competi-
19 tive viability of the environmental technology
20 that is the subject of the project proposal (in-
21 cluding any related services);

22 (D) the ability of the domestic business
23 concern to compete in the development of addi-
24 tional environmental projects using the environ-
25 mental technology referred to in subparagraph

1 (C) in the host country and in other foreign
2 countries;

3 (E) the extent of technical and financial
4 involvement of the host country in the project;

5 (F) the extent of technical, financial, man-
6 agement, and marketing capabilities of the par-
7 ticipants in the project, and the commitment of
8 the participants to completion of a successful
9 project in a manner that will facilitate accept-
10 ance of the technology of the United States for
11 future application;

12 (G) the extent to which the environmental
13 technology effectively addresses the environ-
14 mental needs of the host country; and

15 (H) such other criteria as the Adminis-
16 trator, in consultation with the Administrator
17 of the Agency for International Development
18 and each head of a Federal agency who enters
19 into an agreement under subsection (a), consid-
20 ers appropriate.

21 (h) UNITED STATES-ASIA ENVIRONMENTAL PART-
22 NERSHIP.—The Administrator shall coordinate the activi-
23 ties carried out under this section with the United States-
24 Asia Environmental Partnership.

25 (i) BUY AMERICA.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Pursuant to the agreements
2 under subsection (a), in carrying out this section,
3 the Administrator, in consultation with the Adminis-
4 trator of the Agency for International Development
5 and each head of a Federal agency who enters into
6 an agreement under subsection (a), shall ensure—

7 (A) that a maximum percentage, but in no
8 case less than 50 percent, of the cost of any
9 equipment furnished in connection with a
10 project authorized under this section shall be
11 attributable to components manufactured in the
12 United States; and

13 (B) the maximum participation of domestic
14 business concerns.

15 (2) DETERMINATION OF COST.—In determining
16 whether the cost of the components referred to in
17 paragraph (1) equals or exceeds the percentage spec-
18 ified in paragraph (2), the Administrator may not
19 consider the cost of assembly of the components in
20 the host country as part of the cost of the compo-
21 nent.

22 (j) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The Administrator, in
23 cooperation with the Administrator of the Agency for
24 International Development and each head of a Federal
25 agency who enters into an agreement under subsection (a)

1 shall, not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
2 of this Act, and annually thereafter, submit a report to
3 Congress concerning the progress made with respect to in-
4 troducing environmental technologies into foreign coun-
5 tries.

6 **SEC. 105. ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT TECHNOLOGY TRAIN-**
7 **ING.**

8 (a) TRAINING OF ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT ASSIST-
9 ANCE OFFICERS.—The Administrator, in consultation
10 with the Secretary of Commerce, shall establish a program
11 to provide training to each Environmental Export Assist-
12 ance Officer designated by the Secretary pursuant to sec-
13 tion 2313(d) of the Export Enhancement Act of 1988 (15
14 U.S.C. 4728(d)).

15 (b) TRAINING OF INDIVIDUALS OF DEVELOPING
16 COUNTRIES.—The Administrator, in cooperation with the
17 Administrator of the Agency for International Develop-
18 ment, shall establish a program to provide training to indi-
19 viduals of developing countries concerning the operation
20 and maintenance of environmental technologies. Not later
21 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the
22 Administrator shall enter into a written agreement with
23 the Administrator of the Agency for International Devel-
24 opment to carry out the program.

1 **SEC. 106. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Envi-
3 ronmental Protection Agency such sums as may be nec-
4 essary to carry out this title.

5 **TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE**
6 **EXPORT ENHANCEMENT ACT**
7 **OF 1988**

8 **SEC. 201. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

9 Section 2313 of the Export Enhancement Act (15
10 U.S.C. 4728) is amended by adding at the end the follow-
11 ing new subsection:

12 “(e) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-
14 lish an advisory committee to advise the Working
15 Group concerning increasing the number of exports
16 of environmental technologies, goods, and services.

17 “(2) MEMBERS.—The advisory committee shall
18 be composed of 11 members, including representa-
19 tives of industrial groups, institutions of higher edu-
20 cation, professional organizations, individuals with
21 recognized expertise in fields related to trade, and
22 environmental groups.

23 “(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Secretary shall ap-
24 point a Chairperson from among the members of the
25 advisory committee.

26 “(4) COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each member of the
2 advisory committee who is not an officer or em-
3 ployee of the Federal Government may be com-
4 pensated at a rate determined by the Secretary,
5 but not to exceed the daily equivalent of the an-
6 nual rate of basic pay prescribed for level IV of
7 the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of
8 title 5, United States Code, for each day (in-
9 cluding travel time) during which the member is
10 engaged in the performance of the duties of the
11 advisory committee. All members of the advi-
12 sory committee who are officers or employees of
13 the United States shall serve without compensa-
14 tion in addition to that received for their serv-
15 ices as officers or employees of the United
16 States.

17 “(B) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—The members
18 of the advisory committee shall be allowed trav-
19 el expenses, including per diem in lieu of sub-
20 sistence, at rates authorized for employees of
21 agencies under subchapter I of chapter 57 of
22 title 5, United States Code, while away from
23 their homes or regular places of business in the
24 performance of services of the advisory commit-
25 tee.

1 “(5) STAFF.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
3 provide to the advisory committee such staff as
4 the Secretary, in consultation with the Chair-
5 person, determines to be necessary for the advi-
6 sory commission to carry out the functions
7 specified in this subsection.

8 “(B) DETAIL.—The head of any Federal
9 agency may, with or without reimbursement,
10 detail to the advisory committee an employee of
11 the Federal agency to assist in carrying out
12 necessary functions of the advisory commit-
13 tee.”.

14 **SEC. 202. STUDY OF EXPORT PROMOTION PRACTICES.**

15 Section 2313 of the Export Enhancement Act of
16 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4728), as amended by section 201, is
17 further amended by adding at the end the following new
18 subsection:

19 “(f) STUDY.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Working Group shall
21 conduct a study of subsidies, incentives, and policies
22 used by foreign countries to promote exports of the
23 environmental technologies, goods, and services of
24 the foreign countries. In conducting the study, the
25 Working Group shall identify any foreign trade bar-

1 rier that restricts the import of environmental tech-
 2 nologies goods, or services manufactured, produced
 3 in, or otherwise originating from, the United States.

4 “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after
 5 the date of enactment of this subsection, the Work-
 6 ing Group shall submit a report on the findings of
 7 the study described in paragraph (1) to Congress.”.

8 **SEC. 203. ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT INFORMATION CEN-**
 9 **TER AND OUTREACH PROGRAM.**

10 Section 2313 of the Export Enhancement Act of
 11 1988 (15 U.S.C. 4728), as amended by section 202, is
 12 further amended by adding at the end the following new
 13 subsection:

14 “(g) ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT INFORMATION CEN-
 15 TER AND OUTREACH PROGRAM.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall estab-
 17 lish an environmental export information center (re-
 18 ferred to in this subsection as the ‘Center’).

19 ‘(2) FUNCTIONS OF CENTER.—

20 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Center shall serve
 21 as a centralized repository for information con-
 22 cerning the export of environmental tech-
 23 nologies, goods, and services to foreign coun-
 24 tries, including information concerning—

1 “(i) potential sources of financial and
2 technical assistance;

3 “(ii) the environmental needs of for-
4 eign countries;

5 “(iii) opportunities for the export of
6 environmental technologies, goods, and
7 services to foreign countries;

8 “(iv) the names of business contacts
9 in foreign countries that could facilitate
10 the exports; and

11 “(v) environmental and trade laws
12 and regulations of foreign countries.

13 “(B) DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION.—
14 An appropriate official of the Center shall pro-
15 vide the information referred to in subpara-
16 graph (A) to any person or entity that requests
17 the information.

18 “(C) OUTREACH.—The Center shall con-
19 duct a comprehensive program to identify
20 domestic business concerns that might export
21 environmental technologies and to provide
22 information to these domestic business concerns
23 about the programs and services of the Cen-
24 ter.”.



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