

(3) develop new transportation fuels from forest biomass; and

(4) improve the growth and yield of trees intended for renewable energy production.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2012.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title IX, §9012, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title IX, §9001(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1331, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title IX, §9001(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2093.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 enacted identical sections. Pub. L. 110-234 was repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

§ 8113. Community wood energy program

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Community wood energy plan

The term “community wood energy plan” means an assessment of—

(A) available feedstocks necessary to supply a community wood energy system; and

(B) the long-term feasibility of supplying and operating a community wood energy system.

(2) Community wood energy system

(A) In general

The term “community wood energy system” means an energy system that—

(i) primarily services public facilities owned or operated by State or local governments, including schools, town halls, libraries, and other public buildings; and

(ii) uses woody biomass as the primary fuel.

(B) Inclusions

The term “community wood energy system” includes single facility central heating, district heating, combined heat and energy systems, and other related biomass energy systems.

(b) Grant program

(1) In general

The Secretary, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, shall establish a program to be known as the “Community Wood Energy Program” to provide—

(A) grants of up to \$50,000 to State and local governments (or designees) to develop community wood energy plans; and

(B) competitive grants to State and local governments to acquire or upgrade community wood energy systems.

(2) Considerations

In selecting applicants for grants under paragraph (1)(B), the Secretary shall consider—

(A) the energy efficiency of the proposed system;

(B) the cost effectiveness of the proposed system; and

(C) other conservation and environmental criteria that the Secretary considers appropriate.

(3) Use of plan

A State or local government applying to receive a competitive grant described in paragraph (1)(B) shall submit to the Secretary as part of the grant application the applicable community wood energy plan.

(c) Limitation

A community wood energy system acquired with grant funds provided under subsection (b)(1)(B) shall not exceed an output of—

(1) 50,000,000 Btu per hour for heating; and

(2) 2 megawatts for electric power production.

(d) Matching funds

A State or local government that receives a grant under subsection (b) shall contribute an amount of non-Federal funds towards the development of the community wood energy plan, or acquisition of the community wood energy systems that is at least equal to the amount of grant funds received by the State or local government under that subsection.

(e) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2012.

(Pub. L. 107-171, title IX, §9013, as added Pub. L. 110-234, title IX, §9001(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1332, and Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title IX, §9001(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2094.)

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§ 8114. Sun grant program

(a) Establishment

The Secretary shall establish and carry out a program to provide grants to the sun grant centers and subcenter specified in subsection (b)—

(1) to enhance national energy security through the development, distribution, and implementation of biobased energy technologies;

(2) to promote diversification in, and the environmental sustainability of, agricultural production in the United States through biobased energy and product technologies;

(3) to promote economic diversification in rural areas of the United States through biobased energy and product technologies; and

(4) to enhance the efficiency of bioenergy and biomass research and development programs through improved coordination and collaboration among—

(A) the Department of Agriculture;

(B) the Department of Energy; and

(C) land-grant colleges and universities.

(b) Grants

(1) In general

The Secretary shall use amounts made available under subsection (g) to provide grants to each of the following:

(A) North-central center

A north-central sun grant center at South Dakota State University for the region com-