

§ 16163. Miscellaneous provisions**(a) Representation**

The Secretary may represent the United States interests with respect to activities and programs under this subchapter, in coordination with the Department of Transportation, the National Institute of Standards and Technology, and other relevant Federal agencies, before governments and nongovernmental organizations including—

- (1) other Federal, State, regional, and local governments and their representatives;
- (2) industry and its representatives, including members of the energy and transportation industries; and
- (3) in consultation with the Department of State, foreign governments and their representatives including international organizations.

(b) Regulatory authority

Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to alter the regulatory authority of the Department.

(Pub. L. 109–58, title VIII, §814, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 855.)

§ 16164. Cost sharing

The costs of carrying out projects and activities under this subchapter shall be shared in accordance with section 16352 of this title.

(Pub. L. 109–58, title VIII, §815, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 855.)

§ 16165. Savings clause

Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to affect the authority of the Secretary of Transportation that may exist prior to August 8, 2005, with respect to—

- (1) research into, and regulation of, hydrogen-powered vehicles fuel systems integrity, standards, and safety under subtitle VI of title 49;
- (2) regulation of hazardous materials transportation under chapter 51 of title 49;
- (3) regulation of pipeline safety under chapter 601 of title 49;
- (4) encouragement and promotion of research, development, and deployment activities relating to advanced vehicle technologies under section 5506¹ of title 49;
- (5) regulation of motor vehicle safety under chapter 301 of title 49;
- (6) automobile fuel economy under chapter 329 of title 49; or
- (7) representation of the interests of the United States with respect to the activities and programs under the authority of title 49.

(Pub. L. 109–58, title VIII, §816, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 855.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5506 of title 49, referred to in par. (4), was repealed by Pub. L. 112–141, div. E, title II, §2010(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 887.

¹ See References in Text note below.

SUBCHAPTER IX—RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

§ 16181. Goals**(a) In general**

In order to achieve the purposes of this subchapter, the Secretary shall conduct a balanced set of programs of energy research, development, demonstration, and commercial application with the general goals of—

- (1) increasing the efficiency of all energy intensive sectors through conservation and improved technologies;
- (2) promoting diversity of energy supply;
- (3) decreasing the dependence of the United States on foreign energy supplies;
- (4) improving the energy security of the United States; and
- (5) decreasing the environmental impact of energy-related activities.

(b) Goals

The Secretary shall publish measurable cost and performance-based goals, comparable over time, with each annual budget submission in at least the following areas:

- (1) Energy efficiency for buildings, energy-consuming industries, and vehicles.
- (2) Electric energy generation (including distributed generation), transmission, and storage.
- (3) Renewable energy technologies, including wind power, photovoltaics, solar thermal systems, geothermal energy, hydrogen-fueled systems, biomass-based systems, biofuels, and hydropower.
- (4) Fossil energy, including power generation, onshore and offshore oil and gas resource recovery, and transportation fuels.
- (5) Nuclear energy, including programs for existing and advanced reactors, and education of future specialists.

(c) Public comment

The Secretary shall provide mechanisms for input on the annually published goals from industry, institutions of higher education, and other public sources.

(d) Effect of goals

Nothing in subsection (a) or the annually published goals creates any new authority for any Federal agency, or may be used by any Federal agency, to support the establishment of regulatory standards or regulatory requirements.

(Pub. L. 109–58, title IX, §902, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 856.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original “this title”, meaning title IX of Pub. L. 109–58, Aug. 8, 2005, 119 Stat. 856, which enacted this subchapter, amended sections 8101 and 8102 of Title 7, Agriculture, and section 5523 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, enacted provisions set out as notes under section 15801 of this title, section 8102 of Title 7, and section 2001 of Title 30, Mineral Lands and Mining, and amended provisions set out as notes under section 8101 of Title 7 and section 1902 of Title 30. For complete classification of title IX to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 15801 of this title and Tables.

SHORT TITLE

For short title of title IX of Pub. L. 109–58, which enacted this subchapter, as the “Energy Research, Devel-