(c) Relation to Other Vehicle Technologies That Reduce Consumption of Fossil Fuels.— The preference required by subsection (a) does not preclude the Secretary of Defense from authorizing the Secretary of a military department or head of a Defense Agency to provide a preference for another vehicle technology that reduces the consumption of fossil fuels if the Secretary of Defense determines that the technology is consistent with the energy performance goals and plan of the Department required by section 2911 of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 111–84, div. B, title XXVIII, §2844(a), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2682; amended Pub. L. 112–81, div. B, title XXVIII, §2821(b)(3), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1691.)

AMENDMENTS

2011—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 112–81 struck out subsec. (d), which defined "hybrid".

REGULATIONS

Pub. L. 111-84, div. B, title XXVIII, §2844(c), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2682, provided that: "The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to implement section 2922g of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), within one year after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 2009]."

§ 2922h. Limitation on procurement of drop-in fuels

(a) LIMITATION.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense may not make a bulk purchase of a drop-in fuel for operational purposes unless the fully burdened cost of that drop-in fuel is cost-competitive with the fully burdened cost of a traditional fuel available for the same purpose.

(b) WAIVER.—(1) Subject to the requirements of paragraph (2), the Secretary of Defense may waive the limitation under subsection (a) with

respect to a purchase.

- (2) Not later than 30 days after issuing a waiver under this subsection, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees notice of the waiver. Any such notice shall include each of the following:
 - (A) The rationale of the Secretary for issuing the waiver.
 - (B) A certification that the waiver is in the national security interest of the United States.
 - (C) The expected fully burdened cost of the purchase for which the waiver is issued.
 - (c) Definitions.—In this section:
 - (1) The term "drop-in fuel" means a neat or blended liquid hydrocarbon fuel designed as a direct replacement for a traditional fuel with comparable performance characteristics and compatible with existing infrastructure and equipment.
 - (2) The term "traditional fuel" means a liquid hydrocarbon fuel derived or refined from petroleum.

(3) The term "operational purposes"—

(A) means for the purposes of conducting military operations, including training, exercises, large scale demonstrations, and moving and sustaining military forces and military platforms; and

(B) does not include research, development, testing, evaluation, fuel certification,

or other demonstrations.

(4) The term "fully burdened cost" means the commodity price of the fuel plus the total cost of all personnel and assets required to move and, when necessary, protect the fuel from the point at which the fuel is received from the commercial supplier to the point of use.

§ 2924

(Added Pub. L. 114–92, div. A, title III, §311(a), Nov. 25, 2015, 129 Stat. 787.)

SUBCHAPTER III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

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AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113–291, div. A, title IX, $\S 901(l)(3)$, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3468, added item 2926.

2011—Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, § 2821(a)(2)(B), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1691, added item 2924.

2008—Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title III, §331(b)(2), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4420, added item 2925 and struck out former item 2925 "Annual report".

§ 2924. Definitions

In this chapter:

- (1) The term "defined fuel source" means any of the following:
 - (A) Petroleum.
 - (B) Natural gas.
 - (C) Coal.
 - (D) Coke.
- (2) The term "energy-efficient maintenance" includes—
 - (A) the repair of military vehicles, equipment, or facility and infrastructure systems, such as lighting, heating, or cooling equipment or systems, or industrial processes, by replacement with technology that—
 - (i) will achieve energy savings over the life-cycle of the equipment or system being repaired; and
 - (ii) will meet the same end needs as the equipment or system being repaired; and
 - (B) improvements in an operation or maintenance process, such as improved training or improved controls, that result in energy savings.
- (3)(A) The term "energy security" means having assured access to reliable supplies of energy and the ability to protect and deliver sufficient energy to meet mission essential requirements.
- (B) In selecting facility energy projects that will use renewable energy sources, pursuit of energy security means the installation will give favorable consideration to projects that provide power directly to a military facility or into the installation electrical distribution network. In such cases, projects should be prioritized to provide power for assets critical to mission essential requirements on the installation in the event of a disruption in the commercial grid.
- (4) The term "hybrid", with respect to a motor vehicle, means a motor vehicle that draws propulsion energy from onboard sources of stored energy that are both—

- (A) an internal combustion or heat engine using combustible fuel; and
 - (B) a rechargeable energy storage system.
- (5) The term "operational energy" means the energy required for training, moving, and sustaining military forces and weapons platforms for military operations. The term includes energy used by tactical power systems and generators and weapons platforms.
- (6) The term "petroleum" means natural or synthetic crude, blends of natural or synthetic crude, and products refined or derived from natural or synthetic crude or from such blends.
- (7) The term "renewable energy source" means energy generated from renewable sources, including the following:
 - (A) Solar, including electricity.
 - (B) Wind.
 - (C) Biomass.
 - (D) Landfill gas.
 - (E) Ocean, including tidal, wave, current, and thermal.
 - (F) Geothermal, including electricity and heat pumps.
 - (G) Municipal solid waste.
 - (H) New hydroelectric generation capacity achieved from increased efficiency or additions of new capacity at an existing hydroelectric project. For purposes of this subparagraph, hydroelectric generation capacity is "new" if it was placed in service on or after January 1, 1999.
 - (I) Thermal energy generated by any of the preceding sources.

(Added Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, §2821(a)(1), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1689.)

§ 2925. Annual Department of Defense energy management reports

- (a) ANNUAL REPORT RELATED TO INSTALLATIONS ENERGY MANAGEMENT.—Not later than 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees an installation energy report detailing the fulfillment during that fiscal year of the energy performance goals for the Department of Defense under section 2911 of this title. Each report shall contain the following:
 - (1) A description of the progress made to achieve the goals of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58), section 2911(e) of this title, section 553 of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8259b), the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (Public Law 110–140), and the energy performance goals for the Department of Defense during the preceding fiscal year.
 - (2) A table detailing funding, by account, for all energy projects funded through appropriations.
 - (3) A table listing all energy projects financed through third party financing mechanisms (including energy savings performance contracts, enhanced use leases, utility energy service contracts, utility privatization agreements, and other contractual mechanisms), the duration of each such mechanism, an estimate of the financial obligation incurred through the duration of each such mechanism,

- whether the project incorporates energy security into its design, and the estimated payback period for each such mechanism.
- (4) A description of the actions taken to implement the energy performance master plan in effect under section 2911 of this title and carry out this chapter during the preceding fiscal year.
- (5) A description of the energy savings realized from such actions.
- (6) A description of the types and amount of financial incentives received under section 2913 of this title during the preceding fiscal year and the appropriation account or accounts to which the incentives were credited.
- (7) A description and estimate of the progress made by the military departments in meeting current high performance and sustainable building standards under the Unified Facilities Criteria.
- (8) A description of steps taken to determine best practices for measuring energy consumption in Department of Defense facilities and installations, in order to use the data for better energy management.
- (9) Details of all commercial utility outages caused by threats and those caused by hazards at military installations that last eight hours or longer, whether or not the outage was mitigated by backup power, including non-commercial utility outages and Department of Defense-owned infrastructure, including the total number and location of outages, the financial impact of the outages, and measure taken to mitigate outages in the future at the affected locations and across the Department of Defense.
- (10) A description of any other issues and strategies the Secretary determines relevant to a comprehensive and renewable energy policy.
- (11) At the discretion of the Secretary of Defense, a classified annex, as appropriate.
- (b) ANNUAL REPORT RELATED TO OPERATIONAL ENERGY.—(1) Simultaneous with the annual report required by subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on operational energy management and the implementation of the operational energy strategy established pursuant to section 138c¹ of this title.
- (2) The annual report under this subsection shall address and include the following:
 - (A) Statistical information on operational energy demands, in terms of expenditures and consumption, for the preceding five fiscal years, including funding made available in regular defense appropriations Acts and any supplemental appropriation Acts.
 - (B) An estimate of operational energy demands for the current fiscal year and next fiscal year, including funding requested to meet operational energy demands in the budget submitted to Congress under section 1105 of title 31 and in any supplemental requests.
 - (C) A description of each initiative related to the operational energy strategy and a sum-

¹ See References in Text note below.