(5) A demonstration project may not include electric motor vehicles in more than one eligible metropolitan area, unless the total number of electric motor vehicles in that project is equal to, or greater than, 100.

(b) Criteria

In selecting a proposal and in negotiating financial assistance under this section, the Secretary shall consider—

- (1) the ability of the manufacturer, directly, indirectly, or in combination with the proposer, to develop, assist in the demonstration of, manufacture, distribute, sell, provide warranties for, service, and ensure the continued availability of parts for, electric motor vehicles in the demonstration project;
- (2) the geographic and climatic diversity of the eligible metropolitan area or areas in which the demonstration project is to be undertaken, when considered in combination with other proposals and other selected demonstration projects;
- (3) the long-term technical and competitive viability of the electric motor vehicles;
- (4) the suitability of the electric motor vehicles for their intended uses;
- (5) the environmental effects of the use of the proposed electric motor vehicles;
- (6) the price differential and the proposed discount payment;
- (7) the extent of involvement of State or local government and other persons in the demonstration project, and whether such involvement will—
 - (A) permit a reduction of the Federal cost share per vehicle; or
 - (B) otherwise be used to allow the Federal contribution to be provided for a greater number of electric motor vehicles;
- (8) the proportion of domestic content of the electric motor vehicles and associated equipment;
- (9) the safety of the electric motor vehicles; and
- (10) such other criteria as the Secretary considers appropriate.

(c) Conditions

The Secretary shall require that—

- (1) as a part of a demonstration project, the user or users of the electric motor vehicles will provide to the proposer and the manufacturer information regarding the operation, maintenance, performance, and use of the electric motor vehicles for 5 years after the beginning of the demonstration project;
- (2) the proposer shall provide to the Secretary such information regarding the operation, maintenance, performance, and use of the electric motor vehicles as the Secretary may request during the period of the demonstration project;
- (3) in the case of a demonstration project including automobiles or light duty trucks, the number of electric motor vehicles to be included in the demonstration project shall be no less than 50, except that the Secretary may select a demonstration project with fewer than 50 electric motor vehicles if the Secretary determines that selection of such a pro-

posal will ensure that there is geographic or climatic diversity among the proposals selected and that an adequate demonstration to accelerate the development and use of electric motor vehicles can be undertaken with fewer than 50 electric motor vehicles; and

(4) the procurement practices of the manufacturer do not discriminate against United States producers of vehicle parts.

(Pub. L. 102–486, title VI, §612, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2901.)

§13283. Discount payments

(a) Certification

The Secretary shall provide a discount payment to a proposer of a proposal selected under this part for purposes of reimbursing the proposer for a discount provided to the users if the proposer certifies to the Secretary that—

- (1) the electric motor vehicles have been purchased or leased by a user or users in accordance with the requirements of this part; and
- (2) the proposer has provided to the user or users a discount payment in accordance with the requirements of this part.

(b) Payment

Not later than 30 days after receipt from the proposer of certification that the Secretary determines satisfies the requirements of subsection (a), the Secretary shall pay to the proposer the full amount of the discount payment, to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

(c) Calculations of discount payments

- (1) The discount payment shall be no greater than—
 - (A) the price differential; or
 - (B) the price of the comparable conventionally fueled motor vehicle.
- (2) The purchase price of the electric motor vehicle, less the discount payment and less any additional reduction in the purchase price of the electric motor vehicle that may result from contributions provided by other parties, may not be less than the manufacturer's suggested retail price of a comparable conventionally fueled motor vehicle.
- (3) The maximum discount payment shall be no greater than \$10,000 per electric motor vehicle

(Pub. L. 102–486, title VI, §613, Oct. 24, 1992, 106 Stat. 2902.)

§ 13284. Cost-sharing

(a) Requirement

The Secretary shall require at least 50 percent of the costs directly and specifically related to any project under this part to be from non-Federal sources. Such share may be in the form of cash, personnel, services, equipment, and other resources.

(b) Reduction

The Secretary may reduce the amount of costs required to be provided by non-Federal sources under subsection (a) if the Secretary determines