

**(B) Exclusion**

The term “ocean energy” excludes thermal energy.

**(4) Renewable energy project**

The term “renewable energy project” means a project—

- (A) for the commercial generation of electricity; and
- (B) that generates electricity from—
  - (i) solar, wind, or geothermal energy or ocean energy;
  - (ii) biomass (as defined in section 15852(b) of this title);
  - (iii) landfill gas; or
  - (iv) Alaska small hydroelectric power.

**(b) Renewable energy construction grants****(1) In general**

The Secretary shall use amounts appropriated under this section to make grants for use in carrying out renewable energy projects.

**(2) Criteria**

Not later than 180 days after December 19, 2007, the Secretary shall set forth criteria for use in awarding grants under this section.

**(3) Application**

To receive a grant from the Secretary under paragraph (1), an eligible applicant shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a written assurance that—

(A) all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors during construction, alteration, or repair that is financed, in whole or in part, by a grant under this section shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality, as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with sections 3141–3144, 3146, and 3147 of title 40; and

(B) the Secretary of Labor shall, with respect to the labor standards described in this paragraph, have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40.

**(4) Non-Federal share**

Each eligible applicant that receives a grant under this subsection shall contribute to the total cost of the renewable energy project constructed by the eligible applicant an amount not less than 50 percent of the total cost of the project.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Fund such sums as are necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 110–140, title VIII, §803, Dec. 19, 2007, 121 Stat. 1718.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950, referred to in subsec. (b)(3)(B), is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective on the date that is 1 day after Dec. 19, 2007, see section 1601 of Pub. L. 110–140, set out as a note under section 1824 of Title 2, The Congress.

**§ 17283. Repealed. Pub. L. 113–76, div. D, title III, § 314, Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 177**

Section, Pub. L. 110–140, title VIII, §804, Dec. 19, 2007, 121 Stat. 1720, related to coordination of planned refinery outages.

**§ 17284. Assessment of resources****(a) 5-year plan****(1) Establishment**

The Administrator of the Energy Information Administration (referred to in this section as the “Administrator”) shall establish a 5-year plan to enhance the quality and scope of the data collection necessary to ensure the scope, accuracy, and timeliness of the information needed for efficient functioning of energy markets and related financial operations.

**(2) Requirement**

In establishing the plan under paragraph (1), the Administrator shall pay particular attention to—

- (A) data series terminated because of budget constraints;
- (B) data on demand response;
- (C) timely data series of State-level information;
- (D) improvements in the area of oil and gas data;
- (E) improvements in data on solid byproducts from coal-based energy-producing facilities; and
- (F) the ability to meet applicable deadlines under Federal law (including regulations) to provide data required by Congress.

**(b) Submission to Congress**

The Administrator shall submit to Congress the plan established under subsection (a), including a description of any improvements needed to enhance the ability of the Administrator to collect and process energy information in a manner consistent with the needs of energy markets.

**(c) Guidelines****(1) In general**

The Administrator shall—

(A) establish guidelines to ensure the quality, comparability, and scope of State energy data, including data on energy production and consumption by product and sector and renewable and alternative sources, required to provide a comprehensive, accurate energy profile at the State level;

(B) share company-level data collected at the State level with each State involved, in a manner consistent with the legal authorities, confidentiality protections, and stated uses in effect at the time the data were collected, subject to the condition that the State shall agree to reasonable requirements for use of the data, as the Administrator may require;

(C) assess any existing gaps in data obtained and compiled by the Energy Information Administration; and

(D) evaluate the most cost-effective ways to address any data quality and quantity issues in conjunction with State officials.