

STATEMENT OF INTENT

between

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and

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES CANADA

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WHEREAS:

The Department of Energy of the United States of America (DOE) and the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources of Canada (DEMR) (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties") have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding on Collaboration in Energy Research and Development signed December 4, 1986 in which the Parties stated their belief that cooperative initiatives could result in accomplishment of their energy research and development objectives more efficiently;

DOE and DEMR have a mutual interest in cooperating in the field of biomass energy; and

The Parties, therefore, wish to state their intent to collaborate in a biennial conference to present the latest results in biomass energy research and development.

ARTICLE 1 - FORMS OF COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

The areas of mutual interest between the Parties are set forth below. The Parties recognize the level of and forms of cooperative activities will be in keeping with the specific interests and capabilities of each Party.

The areas of cooperative activities may include:

1. Joint planning and organizing a biennial biomass conference of the Americas.

ARTICLE 2 - DELIVERY OF COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Either party may implement its contribution to the intended collaboration through its own contracts with contractors. The terms and conditions defining specific activities will be set forth in contracts between DEMR and its contractors on the one hand, and DOE and its contractors on the other. Such contracts will, in particular, include terms and conditions governing intellectual property and the exchange of information between DEMR and its contractors, and DOE and its contractors.
2. The Parties support the widest possible dissemination of information provided or exchanged under this Statement of Intent, subject to the need to protect proprietary information clearly marked with a restrictive legend. A Party receiving proprietary information pursuant to this Statement of Intent will protect the privileged nature of that information. The Parties will exchange documents and other materials prepared by their contractors, except for proprietary information so identified by the contractors.
3. All costs resulting from cooperation under this Statement of Intent will be borne by the Party that incurs them. Specific cooperative activities involving cost sharing will be covered in Implementing Arrangements.

ARTICLE 3 - PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

It is the intent of the parties that proprietary information will mean information developed prior to or outside of this intended collaboration which contains trade secrets or commercial or financial information which is privileged or confidential or is not otherwise available to the receiving Party from another source without restriction on its further dissemination.

Done in duplicate.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

(Signature)

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