

**JOINT STATEMENT OF INTENT
BETWEEN
THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINES
OF THE REPUBLIC OF PERU
ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY**

The Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Ministry of Energy and Mines of the Republic of Peru (hereinafter referred to as the Participants);

Having a mutual interest in collaborating in the fields of energy planning and policy analysis, natural gas regulation and markets, and energy technologicis; and

Recognizing their mutual interest in creating an attractive climate for domestic and foreign private capital investment in the energy sector, and in establishing an efficient and environmentally sound energy infrastructure;

Hereby declare their intentions as follows:

1. The Participants intend to take the actions necessary in their respective countries to conclude an agreement between the Participants related to the development, application and sustainable use of conventional energy, energy efficiency and renewable energy.
2. Pending conclusion of that agreement, the Participants intend to initiate collaboration in the following areas:
 - Energy policy planning and analysis;
 - Use of natural gas for transportation and the development of the Clean Cities Program for Peru;
 - Natural gas markets, gas prices and deregulation; and
 - Distributed generation technologies using natural gas (such as fuel cells) as well as renewable energy technologies appropriate for rural electrification.

The Participants may add additional areas in the future. Collaborative activities may include technical assistance, exchange of information and experts, training support, and organization of joint workshops. In addition, subject to subsequent discussion and written agreement, the Participants may execute joint technical and economic feasibility studies, and joint demonstration of energy technologies.

3. Each Participant plans to appoint a Principal Coordinator to coordinate activities under this Joint Statement of Intent.
4. This Joint Statement is not intended to create legally binding obligations between the Participants.
5. It is understood that the Participants' ability to undertake the activities contemplated by this Joint Statement is subject to the availability of appropriated funds.
6. The Participants intend that the collaboration contemplated by this Joint Statement may commence upon signature. The terms of the Joint Statement may be altered at any time in writing. If either Participant desires to terminate its activities under this Joint Statement, it will give 90 days' written notice to the other Participant.

Signed at Mexico City, this 8th day of March, 2001.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:



FOR THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND
MINES OF THE REPUBLIC OF PERU:

