DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC)

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Reestablishment of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) and Solicitation of Nominations for Membership.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to provisions under Title IV of the Jobs Through Trade Expansion Act, and under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Commerce announces the reestablishment of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC), as of August 16, 2020. The ETTAC was first chartered on May 31, 1994. The ETTAC serves as an advisory body to the Environmental Trade Working Group of the Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee (TPCC), reporting directly to the Secretary of Commerce in his/her capacity as Chairman of the TPCC. The ETTAC advises on the development and administration of policies and programs to expand U.S. exports of environmental technologies, goods, and services.

DATES: Nominations for membership must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on September 30, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Please email nominations to Amy Kreps, ETTAC Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, at amy.kreps@trade.gov. Nominations must be submitted in either Microsoft Word or PDF format.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Kreps, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries, International Trade Administration (Phone: 202–603-4765; email: amy.kreps@trade.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Nominations: The Secretary of Commerce invites nominations to the ETTAC of U.S. citizens who will represent U.S. environmental goods and services companies that trade internationally, or trade associations and non-profit organizations whose members include U.S. companies that trade internationally. Companies must be at least 51 percent owned by U.S. persons. No member may represent a company that is majority-owned or controlled by a foreign government entity or foreign government entities.

Membership in a committee operating under the Federal Advisory Committee Act must be balanced in terms of economic subsector, geographic location, and company size. Committee members serve in a representative capacity and must be able to generally represent the views and interests of a certain subsector of the U.S. environmental industry. Candidates should be senior executive-level representatives from environmental technology companies, trade associations, and non-profit organizations. Members of the ETTAC must have experience in the exportation of environmental goods and/or services, including:

(1) Air pollution control and monitoring technologies;
(2) Analytic devices and services;
(3) Environmental engineering and consulting services;
(4) Financial services relevant to the environmental sector;
(5) Process and pollution prevention technologies;
(6) Solid and hazardous waste management technologies; and/or
(7) Water and wastewater treatment technologies.
Nominees will be evaluated based upon their ability to carry out the goals of the ETTAC’s enabling legislation. A copy of the ETTAC’s current Charter is available at www.trade.gov/environmental-technologies-trade-advisory-committee. Appointments will be made to create a balanced Committee in terms of subsector representation, product lines, firm size, geographic area, and other criteria. Nominees must be U.S. citizens. All appointments are made without regard to political affiliation. Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary from the date of appointment to the Committee to the date on which the Committee’s charter terminates (normally two years).

If you are interested in becoming a member of the ETTAC, please provide the following information (2 pages maximum):

(1) Name
(2) Title
(3) Work phone; fax; and email address
(4) Organization name and address, including website address
(5) Short biography of nominee, including written certification of U.S. citizenship (this may take form of the statement ‘‘I am a citizen of the United States’’) and a list of citizenships of foreign countries
(6) Brief description of the organization and its business activities, including
(7) Company size (number of employees and annual sales)
(8) Exporting experience
(9) An affirmative statement that the nominee will be able to meet the expected time commitments of Committee work, which includes:

(i) attending in-person committee meetings approximately four times per year,
(ii) undertaking additional work outside of full committee meetings including subcommittee conference calls or meetings as needed, and
(iii) drafting or commenting on proposed recommendations to be evaluated at Committee meetings.

Please do not send company or trade association brochures or any other information not requested above. Nominees selected for appointment to the Committee will be notified by e-mail.

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Office of Energy and Environmental Industries.

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