## AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE RENEWABLE
ENERGY PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT IN THE CORPORATE INCOME AND
FRANCHISE TAX ACT; PROVIDING FOR A RENEWABLE ENERGY
PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT IN THE INCOME TAX ACT; PROVIDING A
SUSTAINABLE BUILDING TAX CREDIT IN THE INCOME TAX ACT AND THE
CORPORATE INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAX ACT; PROVIDING A CREDIT IN
THE INCOME TAX ACT AND THE CORPORATE INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAX
ACT FOR AGRICULTURAL WATER CONSERVATION EXPENSES; PROVIDING
TAX INCENTIVES FOR PRODUCTION AND SALE OF BIODIESEL FUEL;
PROVIDING A GROSS RECEIPTS TAX DEDUCTION FOR RECEIPTS FROM
THE SALE AND INSTALLATION OF CERTAIN SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS;
ENACTING THE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS TAX
CREDIT ACT; RECONCILING MULTIPLE AMENDMENTS TO THE SAME
SECTION OF LAW IN LAWS 2005 BY REPEALING LAWS 2005, CHAPTER
104, SECTION 7; AMENDING, REPEALING AND ENACTING SECTIONS OF
THE NMSA 1978.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 7-2A-19 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2002, Chapter 59, Section 1, as amended by Laws 2005, Chapter 104, Section 7 and by Laws 2005, Chapter 181, Section 1) is amended to read:

"7-2A-19. RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT--LIMITATIONS--DEFINITIONS--CLAIMING THE CREDIT.--

A. The tax credit provided in this section may be referred to as the "renewable energy production tax credit". The tax credit provided in this section may not be claimed with respect to the same electricity production for which the renewable energy production tax credit provided in the Income Tax Act has been claimed.

- B. A person is eligible for the renewable energy production tax credit if the person:
- (1) holds title to a qualified energy generator that first produced electricity on or before January 1, 2018; or
- (2) leases property upon which a qualified energy generator operates from a county or municipality under authority of an industrial revenue bond and if the qualified energy generator first produced electricity on or before January 1, 2018.
- cent (\$.01) per kilowatt-hour of the first four hundred thousand megawatt-hours of electricity produced by the qualified energy generator in the taxable year using a wind-or biomass-derived qualified energy resource, provided that the total amount of tax credits claimed by all taxpayers for a single qualified energy generator in a taxable year using a wind- or biomass-derived qualified energy resource shall not exceed one cent (\$.01) per kilowatt-hour of the

- D. The amount of the tax credit for electricity produced by a qualified energy generator in the taxable year using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource shall be at the amounts specified in Paragraphs (1) through (10) of this subsection; provided that the total amount of tax credits claimed for a taxable year by all taxpayers for a single qualified energy generator using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource shall be limited to the first two hundred thousand megawatt-hours of electricity produced by the qualified energy generator in the taxable year:
- (1) one and one-half cents (\$.015) per kilowatt-hour in the first taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (2) two cents (\$.02) per kilowatt-hour in the second taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (3) two and one-half cents (\$.025) per kilowatt-hour in the third taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a

1	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
2	resource;
3	(4) three cents (\$.03) per kilowatt-hour in
4	the fourth taxable year in which the qualified energy
5	generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
6	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
7	(5) three and one-half cents (\$.035) per
8	kilowatt-hour in the fifth taxable year in which the
9	qualified energy generator produces electricity using a
10	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
11	resource;
12	(6) four cents (\$.04) per kilowatt-hour in
13	the sixth taxable year in which the qualified energy
14	generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
15	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
16	(7) three and one-half cents (\$.035) per
17	kilowatt-hour in the seventh taxable year in which the
18	qualified energy generator produces electricity using a
19	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
20	resource;
21	(8) three cents (\$.03) per kilowatt-hour in
22	the eighth taxable year in which the qualified energy
23	generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
24	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;

- (10) two cents (\$.02) per kilowatt-hour in the tenth taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource.
- E. A taxpayer eligible for a renewable energy production tax credit pursuant to Subsection B of this section shall be eligible for the renewable energy production tax credit for ten consecutive years, beginning on the date the qualified energy generator begins producing electricity.
  - F. As used in this section:
- (1) "biomass" means organic material that is available on a renewable or recurring basis, including:
- (a) forest-related materials, including mill residues, logging residues, forest thinnings, slash, brush, low-commercial value materials or undesirable species, salt cedar and other phreatophyte or woody vegetation removed from river basins or watersheds and woody material harvested for the purpose of forest fire fuel reduction or forest health and watershed improvement;
- (b) agricultural-related materials, including orchard trees, vineyard, grain or crop residues,

1	including straws and stover, aquatic plants and agricultural
2	processed co-products and waste products, including fats,
3	oils, greases, whey and lactose;
4	(c) animal waste, including manure and
5	slaughterhouse and other processing waste;
6	(d) solid woody waste materials,
7	including landscape or right-of-way tree trimmings, rangeland
8	maintenance residues, waste pallets, crates and
9	manufacturing, construction and demolition wood wastes,
10	excluding pressure-treated, chemically treated or painted
11	wood wastes and wood contaminated with plastic;
12	(e) crops and trees planted for the
13	purpose of being used to produce energy;
14	(f) landfill gas, wastewater treatment
15	gas and biosolids, including organic waste byproducts
16	generated during the wastewater treatment process; and
17	(g) segregated municipal solid waste,
18	excluding tires and medical and hazardous waste;
19	(2) "qualified energy generator" means a
20	facility with at least one megawatt generating capacity
21	located in New Mexico that produces electricity using a
22	qualified energy resource and that sells that electricity to
23	an unrelated person; and
24	(3) "qualified energy resource" means a

resource that generates electrical energy by means of a

fluidized bed technology or similar low-emissions technology or a zero-emissions generation technology that has substantial long-term production potential and that uses only the following energy sources:

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- (a) solar light;
- (b) solar heat;
- (c) wind; or
- (d) biomass.

A person that holds title to a facility generating electricity from a qualified energy resource or a person that leases such a facility from a county or municipality pursuant to an industrial revenue bond may request certification of eligibility for the renewable energy production tax credit from the energy, minerals and natural resources department, which shall determine if the facility is a qualified energy generator. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may certify the eligibility of an energy generator only if the total amount of electricity that may be produced annually by all qualified energy generators that are certified pursuant to this section and pursuant to the Income Tax Act will not exceed a total of two million megawatt-hours plus an additional five hundred thousand megawatt-hours produced by qualified energy generators using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource. Applications shall be considered

in the order received. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may estimate the annual power-generating potential of a generating facility for the purposes of this The energy, minerals and natural resources section. department shall issue a certificate to the applicant stating whether the facility is an eligible qualified energy generator and the estimated annual production potential of the generating facility, which shall be the limit of that facility's energy production eligible for the tax credit for the taxable year. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may issue rules governing the procedure for administering the provisions of this subsection and shall report annually to the appropriate interim legislative committee information that will allow the legislative committee to analyze the effectiveness of the renewable energy production tax credit, including the identity of qualified energy generators, the energy production means used, the amount of energy produced by those qualified energy generators and whether any applications could not be approved due to program limits.

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H. A taxpayer may be allocated all or a portion of the right to claim a renewable energy production tax credit without regard to proportional ownership interest if:

(1) the taxpayer owns an interest in a business entity that is taxed for federal income tax purposes

1	as a partnership;
2	(2) the business entity:
3	(a) would qualify for the renewable
4	energy production tax credit pursuant to Paragraph (1) or (2)
5	of Subsection B of this section;
6	(b) owns an interest in a business
7	entity that is also taxed for federal income tax purposes as
8	a partnership and that would qualify for the renewable energy
9	production tax credit pursuant to Paragraph (1) or (2) of
10	Subsection B of this section; or
11	(c) owns, through one or more
12	intermediate business entities that are each taxed for
13	federal income tax purposes as a partnership, an interest in
14	the business entity described in Subparagraph (b) of this
15	paragraph;
16	(3) the taxpayer and all other taxpayers
17	allocated a right to claim the renewable energy production
18	tax credit pursuant to this subsection own collectively at
19	least a five percent interest in a qualified energy
20	generator;
21	(4) the business entity provides notice of
22	the allocation and the taxpayer's interest to the energy,
23	minerals and natural resources department on forms prescribed
24	by that department; and
25	(5) the energy, minerals and natural

- I. Upon receipt of notice of an allocation of the right to claim all or a portion of the renewable energy production tax credit, the energy, minerals and natural resources department shall promptly certify the allocation in writing to the recipient of the allocation.
- J. A taxpayer may claim the renewable energy production tax credit by submitting to the taxation and revenue department the certificate issued by the energy, minerals and natural resources department, pursuant to Subsection G or H of this section, documentation showing the taxpayer's interest in the facility, documentation of the amount of electricity produced by the facility in the taxable year and any other information the taxation and revenue department may require to determine the amount of the tax credit due the taxpayer.
- K. If the requirements of this section have been complied with, the department shall approve the renewable energy production tax credit. The credit may be deducted from a taxpayer's New Mexico corporate income tax liability for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed. If the amount of tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's corporate income tax liability for the taxable year:
  - (1) the excess may be carried forward for a SB 463

L. Once a taxpayer has been granted a renewable energy production tax credit for a given facility, that taxpayer shall be allowed to retain the facility's original date of application for tax credits for that facility until either the facility goes out of production for more than six consecutive months in a year or until the facility's ten-year eligibility has expired."

Section 2. A new section of the Income Tax Act is enacted to read:

## "RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT. --

A. The tax credit provided in this section may be referred to as the "renewable energy production tax credit". The tax credit provided in this section may not be claimed with respect to the same electricity production for which a tax credit pursuant to Section 7-2A-19 has been claimed.

B. A taxpayer who files an individual New Mexico income tax return and who is not a dependent of another taxpayer is eligible for the renewable energy production tax credit if the taxpayer:

(1) holds title to a qualified energy generator that first produced electricity on or before January 1, 2018; or

- (2) leases property upon which a qualified energy generator operates from a county or municipality under authority of an industrial revenue bond and if the qualified energy generator first produced electricity on or before January 1, 2018.
- c. The amount of the tax credit shall equal one cent (\$.01) per kilowatt-hour of the first four hundred thousand megawatt-hours of electricity produced by the qualified energy generator in the taxable year using a wind-or biomass-derived qualified energy resource, provided that the total amount of tax credits claimed by all taxpayers for a single qualified energy generator in a taxable year using a wind- or biomass-derived qualified energy resource shall not exceed one cent (\$.01) per kilowatt-hour of the first four hundred thousand megawatt-hours of electricity produced by the qualified energy generator.
- D. The amount of the tax credit for electricity produced by a qualified energy generator in the taxable year using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource shall be at the amounts specified in Paragraphs (1) through (10) of this subsection; provided that the total amount of tax credits claimed for a taxable year by

1	all taxpayers for a single qualified energy generator using a
2	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
3	resource shall be limited to the first two hundred thousand
4	megawatt-hours of electricity produced by the qualified energy
5	generator in the taxable year:
6	(1) one and one-half cents (\$.015) per

- (1) one and one-half cents (\$.015) per kilowatt-hour in the first taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (2) two cents (\$.02) per kilowatt-hour in the second taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (3) two and one-half cents (\$.025) per kilowatt-hour in the third taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (4) three cents (\$.03) per kilowatt-hour in the fourth taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
- (5) three and one-half cents (\$.035) per kilowatt-hour in the fifth taxable year in which the qualified energy generator produces electricity using a

1	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
2	resource;
3	(6) four cents (\$.04) per kilowatt-hour in
4	the sixth taxable year in which the qualified energy generator
5	produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
6	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
7	(7) three and one-half cents (\$.035) per
8	kilowatt-hour in the seventh taxable year in which the
9	qualified energy generator produces electricity using a
10	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
11	resource;
12	(8) three cents (\$.03) per kilowatt-hour in
13	the eighth taxable year in which the qualified energy
14	generator produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
15	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource;
16	(9) two and one-half cents (\$.025) per
17	kilowatt-hour in the ninth taxable year in which the qualified
18	energy generator produces electricity using a
19	solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy
20	resource; and
21	(10) two cents (\$.02) per kilowatt-hour in
22	the tenth taxable year in which the qualified energy generator
23	produces electricity using a solar-light-derived or
24	solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource.

E. A taxpayer eligible for a renewable energy  $\ensuremath{\text{E}}$ 

1 production tax credit pursuant to Subsection B of this section 2 shall be eligible for the renewable energy production tax 3 credit for ten consecutive years, beginning on the date the qualified energy generator begins producing electricity. 4 5 F. As used in this section: "biomass" means organic material that is 6 7 available on a renewable or recurring basis, including: forest-related materials, including 8 (a) mill residues, logging residues, forest thinnings, slash, 9 10 brush, low-commercial-value materials or undesirable species, salt cedar and other phreatophyte or woody vegetation removed 11 from river basins or watersheds and woody material harvested 12 for the purpose of forest fire fuel reduction or forest health 13 and watershed improvement; 14 15 (b) agricultural-related materials, including orchard trees, vineyard, grain or crop residues, 16 including straws and stover, aquatic plants and agricultural 17 processed co-products and waste products, including fats, 18 oils, greases, whey and lactose; 19 animal waste, including manure and 20 slaughterhouse and other processing waste; 21 (d) solid woody waste materials, 22 including landscape or right-of-way tree trimmings, rangeland 23

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construction and demolition wood wastes, excluding

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1	pressure-treated, chemically treated or painted wood wastes	
2	and wood contaminated with plastic;	
3	(e) crops and trees planted for the	
4	purpose of being used to produce energy;	
5	(f) landfill gas, wastewater treatment	
6	gas and biosolids, including organic waste byproducts	
7	generated during the wastewater treatment process; and	
8	(g) segregated municipal solid waste,	
9	excluding tires and medical and hazardous waste;	
10	(2) "qualified energy generator" means a	
11	facility with at least one megawatt generating capacity	
12	located in New Mexico that produces electricity using a	
13	qualified energy resource and that sells that electricity to	
14	an unrelated person; and	
15	(3) "qualified energy resource" means a	
16	resource that generates electrical energy by means of a	
17	fluidized bed technology or similar low-emissions technology	
18	or a zero-emissions generation technology that has substantial	
19	long-term production potential and that uses only the	
20	following energy sources:	
21	(a) solar light;	
22	(b) solar heat;	
23	(c) wind; or	
24	(d) biomass.	
25	G. A person that holds title to a facility	SB 463

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generating electricity from a qualified energy resource or a person that leases such a facility from a county or municipality pursuant to an industrial revenue bond may request certification of eligibility for the renewable energy production tax credit from the energy, minerals and natural resources department, which shall determine if the facility is a qualified energy generator. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may certify the eligibility of an energy generator only if the total amount of electricity that may be produced annually by all qualified energy generators that are certified pursuant to this section and pursuant to Section 7-2A-19 NMSA 1978 will not exceed a total of two million megawatt-hours plus an additional five hundred thousand megawatt-hours produced by qualified energy generators using a solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived qualified energy resource. Applications shall be considered in the order received. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may estimate the annual power-generating potential of a generating facility for the purposes of this section. The energy, minerals and natural resources department shall issue a certificate to the applicant stating whether the facility is an eligible qualified energy generator and the estimated annual production potential of the generating facility, which shall be the limit of that facility's energy production eligible for the tax

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- H. A taxpayer may be allocated all or a portion of the right to claim a renewable energy production tax credit without regard to proportional ownership interest if:
- (1) the taxpayer owns an interest in a business entity that is taxed for federal income tax purposes as a partnership;
  - (2) the business entity:
- (a) would qualify for the renewable energy production tax credit pursuant to Paragraph (1) or (2) of Subsection B of this section;
- (b) owns an interest in a business entity that is also taxed for federal income tax purposes as a partnership and that would qualify for the renewable energy production tax credit pursuant to Paragraph (1) or (2) of

Subsection B of this section; or

(c) owns, through one or more intermediate business entities that are each taxed for federal income tax purposes as a partnership, an interest in the business entity described in Subparagraph (b) of this paragraph;

- (3) the taxpayer and all other taxpayers allocated a right to claim the renewable energy production tax credit pursuant to this subsection own collectively at least a five percent interest in a qualified energy generator;
- (4) the business entity provides notice of the allocation and the taxpayer's interest to the energy, minerals and natural resources department on forms prescribed by that department; and
- (5) the energy, minerals and natural resources department certifies the allocation in writing to the taxpayer.
- I. Upon receipt of notice of an allocation of the right to claim all or a portion of the renewable energy production tax credit, the energy, minerals and natural resources department shall promptly certify the allocation in writing to the recipient of the allocation.
- J. A husband and wife who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half of the credit that would

have been allowed on a joint return.

K. A taxpayer may claim the renewable energy production tax credit by submitting to the taxation and revenue department the certificate issued by the energy, minerals and natural resources department, pursuant to Subsection G or H of this section, documentation showing the taxpayer's interest in the facility, documentation of the amount of electricity produced by the facility in the taxable year and any other information the taxation and revenue department may require to determine the amount of the tax credit due the taxpayer.

L. If the requirements of this section have been complied with, the department shall approve the renewable energy production tax credit. The credit may be deducted from a taxpayer's New Mexico income tax liability for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed. If the amount of tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability for the taxable year:

- (1) the excess may be carried forward for a period of five taxable years; or
- (2) if the tax credit was issued with respect to a qualified energy generator that first produced electricity using a qualified energy resource on or after October 1, 2007, the excess shall be refunded to the taxpayer.
  - M. Once a taxpayer has been granted a renewable

energy production tax credit for a given facility, that taxpayer shall be allowed to retain the facility's original date of application for tax credits for that facility until either the facility goes out of production for more than six consecutive months in a year or until the facility's ten-year eligibility has expired."

Section 3. A new section of the Income Tax Act is enacted to read:

## "SUSTAINABLE BUILDING TAX CREDIT. --

A. The tax credit provided by this section may be referred to as the "sustainable building tax credit". The sustainable building tax credit shall be available for the construction in New Mexico of a sustainable building or the renovation of an existing building in New Mexico into a sustainable building. The tax credit provided in this section may not be claimed with respect to the same sustainable building for which the sustainable building tax credit provided in the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act has been claimed.

- B. A taxpayer who files an income tax return is eligible to apply for a sustainable building tax credit if the taxpayer is:
- (1) the owner of the building at the time the certification level for the building in the LEED green building rating system or the build green New Mexico rating

system is awarded; or

(2) the subsequent purchaser of a sustainable building with respect to which no tax credit has been previously claimed, if the certification level for the building in the LEED green building rating system or the build green New Mexico rating system is awarded on or after January 1, 2007.

C. The amount of the sustainable building tax credit that may be claimed with respect to a sustainable commercial building shall be calculated based on the certification level the building has achieved in the LEED green building rating system and the amount of qualified occupied square footage in the building, as indicated on the following chart:

LEED Rating Level	Qualified Occupied Square Footage	Tax Credit per Square Foot	
LEED-NC Silver	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$3.50 \$1.75	
	up to 500,000	\$ .70	
LEED-NC Gold	First 10,000	\$4 <b>.</b> 75	
	Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$2.00	
	up to 500,000	\$1.00	
LEED-NC Platinum	First 10,000	\$6 <b>.</b> 25	
	Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$3.25	
	up to 500,000	\$2.00	
LEED-EB or CS Silver	First 10,000	\$2.50	
	Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$1.25 SB 46	3
	up to 500,000	\$ .50 Page	22

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3	LEED-EB or CS	up to 300,000	Ş •70
4	Platinum	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$4.40 \$2.30
5		up to 500,000	\$1.40
6	LEED-CI Silver	First 10,000 Next 40,000	\$1.40 \$ .70
7		Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$ .30
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9	LEED-CI Gold	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000	\$1.90 \$ .80
10		up to 500,000	\$ .40
11	LEED-CI Platinum	First 10,000 Next 40,000	\$2.50 \$1.30
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D. The amount of the sustainable building tax credit that may be claimed with respect to a sustainable residential building shall be calculated based on the certification level the building has achieved in the LEED green building rating system or the build green New Mexico rating system and the amount of qualified occupied square footage, as indicated on the following chart:

Rating System/Level	Qualified Occupied Square Footage	Tax Credit per Square Foot
Build Green NM Gold	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$4.50 \$2.00
LEED-H Silver	First 2,000	\$5.00

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	Next 1,000	\$2.50
LEED-H Gold	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$6.85 \$3.40
LEED-H Platinum	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$9.00 \$4.45
EPA ENERGY STAR Manufactured Housing	Up to 3.000	\$3.00.

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E. A taxpayer may apply for certification of eligibility for the sustainable building tax credit from the energy, minerals and natural resources department after the construction or renovation of the sustainable building is complete. Applications shall be considered in the order If the energy, minerals and natural resources department determines that the taxpayer meets the requirements of Subsection B of this section and that the building with respect to which the tax credit application is made meets the requirements of this section as a sustainable residential building or a sustainable commercial building, it may issue a certificate of eligibility to the taxpayer, subject to the limitation in Subsection F of this section. The certificate shall include the rating system certification level awarded to the building, the amount of qualified occupied square footage in the building and a calculation of the maximum amount of sustainable building tax credit for which the taxpayer would be eligible. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may issue rules governing the procedure for administering the provisions of this subsection.

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- G. Installation of a solar thermal system or a photovoltaic system eligible for the solar market development tax credit pursuant to Section 7-2-18.14 NMSA 1978 may not be used as a component of qualification for the rating system certification level used in determining eligibility for the sustainable building tax credit, unless a solar market development tax credit pursuant to Section 7-2-18.14 NMSA 1978 has not been claimed with respect to that system and the taxpayer certifies that such a tax credit will not be claimed with respect to that system.
  - H. To be eligible for the sustainable building tax SB 463 Page 25

credit, the taxpayer must provide to the taxation and revenue department a certificate of eligibility issued by the energy, minerals and natural resources department pursuant to the requirements of Subsection E of this section and any other information the taxation and revenue department may require to determine the amount of the tax credit due the taxpayer.

- I. If the requirements of this section have been complied with, the department shall issue to the applicant a document granting a sustainable building tax credit. The document shall be numbered for identification and declare its date of issuance and the amount of the tax credit allowed pursuant to this section. The document may be sold, exchanged or otherwise transferred. The parties to such a transaction shall notify the department of the sale, exchange or transfer within ten days of the sale, exchange or transfer.
- J. Except as provided in Subsection K of this section, the sustainable building tax credit represented by the document issued pursuant to Subsection I of this section shall be applied against the taxpayer's income tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit is approved and the three subsequent taxable years, in increments of twenty-five percent of the total credit amount in each of the four taxable years. If the amount of the credit available in a taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability for that taxable year, the excess may be carried forward for up to

seven years.

K. If the total amount of a sustainable building tax credit approved by the department is less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the entire amount of the credit may be applied against the taxpayer's income tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit is approved. If the amount of the credit exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability for that taxable year, the excess may be carried forward for up to seven years.

L. A taxpayer who otherwise qualifies and claims a sustainable building tax credit with respect to a sustainable building owned by a partnership or other business association of which the taxpayer is a member may claim a credit only in proportion to that taxpayer's interest in the partnership or association. The total credit claimed in the aggregate by all members of the partnership or association with respect to the sustainable building shall not exceed the amount of the credit that could have been claimed by a sole owner of the property.

M. A husband and wife who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half of the credit that would have been allowed on a joint return.

N. For the purposes of this section:

(1) "build green New Mexico rating system" means the certification standards adopted by the homebuilders

1	association of central New Mexico;
2	(2) "LEED-CI" means the LEED rating system
3	for commercial interiors;
4	(3) "LEED-CS" means the LEED rating system
5	for the core and shell of buildings;
6	(4) "LEED-EB" means the LEED rating system
7	for existing buildings;
8	(5) "LEED gold" means the rating in
9	compliance with, or exceeding, the second highest rating
10	awarded by the LEED certification process;
11	(6) "LEED" means the most current leadership
12	in energy and environmental design green building rating
13	system guidelines developed and adopted by the United States
14	green building council;
15	(7) "LEED-H" means the LEED rating system
16	for homes;
17	(8) "LEED-NC" means the LEED rating system
18	for new buildings and major renovations;
19	(9) "LEED platinum" means the rating in
20	compliance with, or exceeding, the highest rating awarded by
21	the LEED certification process;
22	(10) "LEED silver" means the rating in
23	compliance with, or exceeding, the third highest rating
24	awarded by the LEED certification process;
25	(11) "qualified occupied square footage"

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1	means the occupied spaces of the building as determined by:		
2	(a) the United States green building		
3	council for those buildings obtaining LEED certification;		
4	(b) the administrators of the build		
5	green New Mexico rating system for those homes obtaining build		
6	green New Mexico certification; and		
7	(c) the United States environmental		
8	protection agency for ENERGY STAR-certified manufactured		
9	homes;		
10	(12) "sustainable building" means either a		
11	sustainable commercial building or a sustainable residential		
12	building;		
13	(13) "sustainable commercial building" means		
14	a building that has been registered and certified under the		
15	LEED-NC, LEED-EB, LEED-CS or LEED-CI rating system and that:		
16	(a) is certified by the United States		
17	green building council at LEED-Silver or higher;		
18	(b) achieves any prerequisite for and		
19	at least one point related to commissioning under LEED "energy		
20	and atmosphere", if included in the applicable rating system;		
21	and		
22	(c) has reduced energy consumption, as		
23	follows: 1) through 2011, a fifty percent energy reduction		
24	will be required based on the national average for that		
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energy; and beginning January 1, 2012, a sixty percent energy reduction will be required based on the national average for that building type as published by the United States department of energy; and 2) is substantiated by the United States environmental protection agency target finder energy performance results form, dated no sooner than the schematic design phase of development; and

(14) "sustainable residential building" means:

(a) a building used as a single-family residence as registered and certified under the build green

New Mexico or LEED-H rating systems that: 1) is certified by the United States green building council as LEED-H silver or higher or by build green New Mexico as gold or higher; and 2) has achieved a home energy rating system index of sixty or lower as developed by the residential energy services network;

(b) a building used as multi-family dwelling units, as registered and certified under the LEED-H rating system that: 1) is certified by the United States green building council as LEED-H silver or higher or by build green New Mexico as gold or higher; and 2) has achieved a home energy rating system index of sixty or lower as developed by the residential energy services network; or

(c) manufactured housing as defined by the United States department of housing and urban development

that is ENERGY STAR-qualified by the United States environmental protection agency."

Section 4. A new section of the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act is enacted to read:

## "SUSTAINABLE BUILDING TAX CREDIT. --

- A. The tax credit provided by this section may be referred to as the "sustainable building tax credit". The sustainable building tax credit shall be available for the construction in New Mexico of a sustainable building or the renovation of an existing building in New Mexico into a sustainable building. The tax credit provided in this section may not be claimed with respect to the same sustainable building for which the sustainable building tax credit provided in the Income Tax Act has been claimed.
- B. A taxpayer that files a corporate income tax return is eligible to apply for a sustainable building tax credit if the taxpayer is:
- (1) the owner of the building at the time the certification level for the building in the LEED green building rating system or the build green New Mexico rating system is awarded; or
- (2) the subsequent purchaser of a sustainable building with respect to which no tax credit has been previously claimed, if the certification level for the building in the LEED green building rating system or the build SB 463 Page 31

C. The amount of the sustainable building tax credit that may be claimed with respect to a sustainable commercial building shall be calculated based on the certification level the building has achieved in the LEED green building rating system and the amount of qualified occupied square footage in the building, as indicated on the following chart:

LEED Rating Level	Qualified Occupied Square Footage	Tax Credit per Square Foot
LEED-NC Silver	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$3.50 \$1.75 \$.70
LEED-NC Gold	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$4.75 \$2.00 \$1.00
LEED-NC Platinum	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$6.25 \$3.25 \$2.00
LEED-EB or CS Silver	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$2.50 \$1.25 \$ .50
LEED-EB or CS Gold	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$3.35 \$1.40 \$ .70
LEED-EB or CS Platinum	First 10,000	\$4.40

	Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$2.30 \$1.40
LEED-CI Silver	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$1.40 \$ .70 \$ .30
LEED-CI Gold	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$1.90 \$ .80 \$.40
LEED-CI Platinum	First 10,000 Next 40,000 Over 50,000 up to 500,000	\$2.50 \$1.30 \$.80.

D. The amount of the sustainable building tax credit that may be claimed with respect to a sustainable residential building shall be calculated based on the certification level the building has achieved in the LEED green building rating system or the build green New Mexico rating system and the amount of qualified occupied square footage, as indicated on the following chart:

Rating System/Level	Qualified Occupied Square Footage	Tax Credit per Square Foot
Build Green NM Gold	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$4.50 \$2.00
LEED-H Silver	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$5.00 \$2.50
LEED-H Gold	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$6.85 \$3.40
LEED-H Platinum	First 2,000 Next 1,000	\$9.00 \$4.45

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E. A taxpayer may apply for certification of eligibility for the sustainable building tax credit from the energy, minerals and natural resources department after the construction or renovation of the sustainable building is complete. Applications shall be considered in the order received. If the energy, minerals and natural resources department determines that the taxpayer meets the requirements of Subsection B of this section and that the building with respect to which the tax credit application is made meets the requirements of this section as a sustainable residential building or a sustainable commercial building, it may issue a certificate of eligibility to the taxpayer, subject to the limitation in Subsection F of this section. The certificate shall include the rating system certification level awarded to the building, the amount of qualified occupied square footage in the building and a calculation of the maximum amount of sustainable building tax credit for which the taxpayer would be eligible. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may issue rules governing the procedure for administering the provisions of this subsection.

F. The energy, minerals and natural resources department may issue a certificate of eligibility only if the total amount of sustainable building tax credits represented

by certificates of eligibility issued by the energy, minerals and natural resources department pursuant to this section and pursuant to the Income Tax Act shall not exceed in any calendar year an aggregate amount of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) with respect to sustainable commercial buildings and an aggregate amount of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) with respect to sustainable residential buildings; provided that no more than one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,250,000) of the aggregate amount with respect to sustainable residential buildings shall be for manufactured housing.

G. Installation of a solar thermal system or a photovoltaic system eligible for the solar market development tax credit pursuant to Section 7-2-18.14 NMSA 1978 may not be used as a component of qualification for the rating system certification level used in determining eligibility for the sustainable building tax credit, unless a solar market development tax credit pursuant to Section 7-2-18.14 NMSA 1978 has not been claimed with respect to that system and the taxpayer certifies that such a tax credit will not be claimed with respect to that system.

H. To be eligible for the sustainable building tax credit, the taxpayer must provide to the taxation and revenue department a certificate of eligibility issued by the energy, minerals and natural resources department pursuant to the

requirements of Subsection E of this section and any other information the taxation and revenue department may require to determine the amount of the tax credit due the taxpayer.

- I. If the requirements of this section have been complied with, the department shall issue to the applicant a document granting a sustainable building tax credit. The document shall be numbered for identification and declare its date of issuance and the amount of the tax credit allowed pursuant to this section. The document may be sold, exchanged or otherwise transferred. The parties to such a transaction shall notify the department of the sale, exchange or transfer within ten days of the sale, exchange or transfer.
- J. Except as provided in Subsection K of this section, the sustainable building tax credit represented by the document issued pursuant to Subsection I of this section shall be applied against the taxpayer's corporate income tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit is approved and the three subsequent taxable years, in increments of twenty-five percent of the total credit amount in each of the four taxable years. If the amount of the credit available in a taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's corporate income tax liability for that taxable year, the excess may be carried forward for up to seven years.
- K. If the total amount of a sustainable building tax credit approved by the department is less than twenty-five SB 463 Page 36

L. A taxpayer that otherwise qualifies and claims a sustainable building tax credit with respect to a sustainable building owned by a partnership or other business association of which the taxpayer is a member may claim a credit only in proportion to that taxpayer's interest in the partnership or association. The total credit claimed in the aggregate by all members of the partnership or association with respect to the sustainable building shall not exceed the amount of the credit that could have been claimed by a sole owner of the property.

M. For the purposes of this section:

- (1) "build green New Mexico rating system" means the certification standards adopted by the homebuilders association of central New Mexico;
- (2) "LEED-CI" means the LEED rating system for commercial interiors;
- (3) "LEED-CS" means the LEED rating system for the core and shell of buildings;
  - (4) "LEED-EB" means the LEED rating system

1	for existing buildings;	
2	(5) "LEED gold" means the rating in	
3	compliance with, or exceeding, the second highest rating	
4	awarded by the LEED certification process;	
5	(6) "LEED" means the most current leadership	
6	in energy and environmental design green building rating	
7	system guidelines developed and adopted by the United States	
8	green building council;	
9	(7) "LEED-H" means the LEED rating system	
10	for homes;	
11	(8) "LEED-NC" means the LEED rating system	
12	for new buildings and major renovations;	
13	(9) "LEED platinum" means the rating in	
14	compliance with, or exceeding, the highest rating awarded by	
15	the LEED certification process;	
16	(10) "LEED silver" means the rating in	
17	compliance with, or exceeding, the third highest rating	
18	awarded by the LEED certification process;	
19	(ll) "qualified occupied square footage"	
20	means the occupied spaces of the building as determined by:	
21	(a) the United States green building	
22	council for those buildings obtaining LEED certification;	
23	(b) the administrators of the build	
24	green New Mexico rating system for those homes obtaining build	
25	green New Mexico certification; and	SB 463 Page 38

1	(c) the United States environmental
2	protection agency for ENERGY STAR-certified manufactured
3	homes;
4	(12) "sustainable building" means either a
5	sustainable commercial building or a sustainable residential
6	building;
7	(13) "sustainable commercial building" means
8	a building that has been registered and certified under the
9	LEED-NC, LEED-EB, LEED-CS or LEED-CI rating system and that:
10	(a) is certified by the United States
11	green building council at LEED-Silver or higher;
12	(b) achieves any prerequisite for and
13	at least one point related to commissioning under LEED "energy
14	and atmosphere", if included in the applicable rating system;
15	and
16	(c) has reduced energy consumption, as
17	follows: 1) through 2011, a fifty percent energy reduction
18	will be required based on the national average for that
19	building type as published by the United States department of
20	energy; and beginning January 1, 2012, a sixty percent energy
21	reduction will be required based on the national average for
22	that building type as published by the United States
23	department of energy; and 2) is substantiated by the United
24	States environmental protection agency target finder energy

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1	design phase of development; and
2	(l4) "sustainable residential building"
3	means:
4	(a) a building used as a single-family
5	residence as registered and certified under the build green
6	New Mexico or LEED-H rating systems that: 1) is certified by
7	the United States green building council as LEED-H silver or
8	higher or by build green New Mexico as gold or higher; and 2)
9	has achieved a home energy rating system index of sixty or
10	lower as developed by the residential energy services network;
11	(b) a building used as multi-family
12	dwelling units, as registered and certified under the LEED-H
13	rating system that: l) is certified by the United States
14	green building council as LEED-H silver or higher or by build
15	green New Mexico as gold or higher; and 2) has achieved a home
16	energy rating system index of sixty or lower as developed by
17	the residential energy services network; or
18	(c) manufactured housing as defined by
19	the United States department of housing and urban development
20	that is ENERGY STAR-qualified by the United States
21	environmental protection agency."
22	Section 5. A new section of the Income Tax Act is
23	enacted to read:
24	"TAX CREDITAGRICULTURAL WATER CONSERVATION EXPENSES

A. A taxpayer may claim a credit against the

1	taxpayer's income tax liability for expenses incurred by the	
2	taxpayer for eligible improvements in irrigation systems or	
3	water management methods. The credit may be claimed for the	
4	taxable year in which the expenses are incurred if the	
5	taxpayer:	
6	(l) in that year, owned or leased a water	
7	right appurtenant to the land on which an eligible improvement	
8	was made;	
9	(2) files an individual New Mexico income	
10	tax return for that year;	
11	(3) in that year, is not a dependent of	
12	another individual; and	
13	(4) does not take a tax credit for the same	
14	expense on any corporate tax return filed by the taxpayer.	
15	B. The credit provided in this section shall be in	
16	the following amounts, not to exceed a maximum annual credit	
17	of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000):	
18	(l) for expenses incurred from January l,	
19	2008 until December 31, 2008, an amount equal to thirty-five	
20	percent of the incurred expenses; and	
21	(2) for expenses incurred on or after	
22	January 1, 2009, an amount equal to fifty percent of the	
23	incurred expenses.	
24	C. As used in this section, "eligible improvement	

in irrigation systems or water management methods" means an

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- (2) consistent and complies with a water conservation plan approved by the local soil and water conservation district in which the improvement is located; and
- (3) primarily designed to substantially conserve water on land in New Mexico that is owned or leased by the taxpayer and used by the taxpayer or the taxpayer's lessee to:
  - (a) produce agricultural products;
  - (b) harvest or grow trees; or
  - (c) sustain livestock.
- D. Taxpayers who are considered for federal income tax purposes as co-owners of the land on which an eligible improvement in irrigation systems or water management methods is made may claim the pro rata share of the credit allowed pursuant to this section based on the co-owner's ownership interest. The total of the credits allowed all the taxpayers considered co-owners may not exceed the amount that would have been allowed a sole owner of the land.
- E. A husband and wife who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half of the credit that would have been allowed on a joint return.
  - F. If the allowable tax credit in a taxable year

exceeds the income taxes otherwise due from a taxpayer pursuant to the Income Tax Act, or if there are no income taxes due from the taxpayer, the taxpayer may carry forward the amount of the credit not used in that year to offset the taxpayer's liability for income taxes pursuant to the Income Tax Act for not more than five consecutive taxable years.

- G. The New Mexico department of agriculture, with the advice of the soil and water conservation commission, and with information provided by the state engineer, shall promulgate rules to implement this section, and those rules shall include detailed guidelines to assist the department in determining whether improvements in irrigation systems or water management methods qualify for the credit available under this section.
- H. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall provide documentary evidence of the amount of water conserved during the period for which the credit is claimed if requested by the department.
- I. Water conserved due to improvements in irrigation systems or water management methods and for which a credit is claimed shall not be subject to abandonment or forfeiture, nor shall the conserved water be put to consumptive beneficial use.
- J. As used in this section, "taxpayer" may include
  a partnership, limited liability corporation or other form of SB 463
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(1) for expenses incurred from January 1, 2008 until December 31, 2008, an amount equal to thirty-five percent of the incurred expenses; and

(2) for expenses incurred on or after January 1, 2009, an amount equal to fifty percent of the

of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000):

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C. As used in this section, "eligible improvement in irrigation systems or water management methods" means an improvement that is:

- (1) made on or after January 1, 2008;
- (2) consistent and complies with a water conservation plan approved by the local soil and water conservation district in which the improvement is located; and
- (3) primarily designed to substantially conserve water on land in New Mexico that is owned or leased by the taxpayer and used by the taxpayer or the taxpayer's lessee to:
  - (a) produce agricultural products;
  - (b) harvest or grow trees; or
  - (c) sustain livestock.
- D. Taxpayers that are considered for federal income tax purposes as co-owners of the land, or co-owners of a pass-through entity that owns the land, on which an eligible improvement in irrigation systems or water management methods is made may claim the pro rata share of the credit allowed pursuant to this section based on the co-owner's ownership interest. The total of the credits allowed all the taxpayers considered co-owners may not exceed the amount that would have been allowed a sole owner of the land.
  - E. If the allowable tax credit in a taxable year

exceeds the corporate income taxes otherwise due from a taxpayer pursuant to the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act, or if there are no taxes due pursuant to the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act, the taxpayer may carry forward the amount of the credit not used in that year to offset the taxpayer's liability for corporate income taxes pursuant to the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act for not more than five consecutive tax years.

- F. The New Mexico department of agriculture, with the advice of the soil and water conservation commission and with information provided by the state engineer, shall promulgate rules to implement this section, including detailed guidelines to assist the department in determining whether improvements in irrigation systems or water management methods qualify for the credit available under this section.
- G. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall provide documentary evidence of the amount of water conserved during the period for which the credit is claimed if requested by the department.
- H. Water conserved due to improvements in irrigation systems or water management methods and for which a credit is claimed shall not be subject to abandonment or forfeiture, nor shall the conserved water be put to consumptive beneficial use.
  - I. As used in this section, "taxpayer" may include SB 463 Page 46

a partnership, limited liability corporation or other form of pass-through entity, which may pass the credit provided in this section through to its owners in proportion to their share of ownership."

Section 7. A new section of the Income Tax Act is enacted to read:

## "CREDIT--BLENDED BIODIESEL FUEL.--

A. A taxpayer who is liable for payment of the special fuel excise tax pursuant to Subsections A through D of Section 7-16A-2.1 NMSA 1978 and who files a New Mexico income tax return is eligible to claim a credit against income tax liability for each gallon of blended biodiesel fuel on which that person paid the special fuel excise tax in the taxable year, or would have paid the special fuel excise tax in the taxable year but for the deductions allowed pursuant to Subsections B through F of Section 7-16A-10 NMSA 1978 or the treaty exemption for north Atlantic treaty organization use. The credit shall be in the following amounts for the following periods:

- (1) from January 1, 2007 until December 31, 2010, at a rate of three cents (\$.03) per gallon;
- (2) from January 1, 2011 until December 31, 2011, at a rate of two cents (\$.02) per gallon; and
- (3) from January 1, 2012 until December 31,

25 2012, at a rate of one cent (\$.01) per gallon.

- B. The tax credit provided by this section may not be claimed with respect to the same blended biodiesel fuel for which a credit has been claimed pursuant to the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act or for which a credit or refund has been claimed pursuant to Section 7-16A-13 NMSA 1978.
- C. A taxpayer who otherwise qualifies for and claims a credit pursuant to this section for blended biodiesel fuel on which special fuel excise tax has been paid by a partnership or other business association of which the taxpayer is a member may claim a credit only in proportion to the taxpayer's interest in the partnership or business association. The total credit claimed in the aggregate by all members of the partnership or business association shall not exceed the amount of credit allowed pursuant to Subsection A of this section.
- D. A husband and wife who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half of the credit that would have been allowed on a joint return.
- E. The tax credit provided by this section may only be applied against the income tax liability of the person who paid the special fuel excise tax on the blended biodiesel fuel with respect to which the credit is provided, or who would have paid the special fuel excise tax but for the deductions allowed pursuant to Subsections B through F of

- F. A taxpayer claiming a credit pursuant to this section shall provide documentation of eligibility in form and content as determined by the department.
  - G. For the purposes of this section:
- (1) "biodiesel" means renewable, biodegradable, monoalkyl ester combustible liquid fuel that is derived from agricultural plant oils or animal fats and that meets American society for testing and materials D 6751 standard specification for biodiesel B100 blend stock for distillate fuels;
- (2) "blended biodiesel fuel" means a diesel fuel that contains at least two percent biodiesel; and
- (3) "diesel fuel" means any diesel-engine fuel used for the generation of power to propel a motor vehicle."
- Section 8. A new section of the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act is enacted to read:

"CREDIT--BLENDED BIODIESEL FUEL.--

A. A taxpayer that is liable for payment of the special fuel excise tax pursuant to Subsections A through D of SB 463 Page 49

Section 7-16A-2.1 NMSA 1978 and that files a New Mexico corporate income tax return is eligible to claim a credit against corporate income tax liability for each gallon of blended biodiesel fuel on which that person paid the special fuel excise tax in the taxable year or who would have paid the special fuel excise tax in the taxable year but for the deductions allowed pursuant to Subsections B through F of Section 7-16A-10 NMSA 1978 or the treaty exemption for north Atlantic treaty organization use. The credit shall be in the following amounts for the following periods:

- (1) from January 1, 2007 until December 31, 2010, at a rate of three cents (\$.03) per gallon;
- (2) from January 1, 2011 until December 31, 2011, at a rate of two cents (\$.02) per gallon; and
- (3) from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012, at a rate of one cent (\$.01) per gallon.
- B. The tax credit provided by this section may not be claimed with respect to the same blended biodiesel fuel for which a credit has been claimed pursuant to the Income Tax Act or for which a credit or refund has been claimed pursuant to Section 7-16A-13 NMSA 1978.
- C. A taxpayer that otherwise qualifies for and claims a credit pursuant to this section for blended biodiesel fuel on which special fuel excise tax has been paid by a partnership or other business association of which the

taxpayer is a member may claim a credit only in proportion to the taxpayer's interest in the partnership or business association. The total credit claimed in the aggregate by all members of the partnership or business association shall not exceed the amount of credit allowed pursuant to Subsection A of this section.

- D. The tax credit provided by this section may only be applied against the corporate income tax liability of the person that paid the special fuel excise tax on the blended biodiesel fuel with respect to which the credit is provided or that would have paid the special fuel excise tax but for the deductions allowed pursuant to Subsections B through F of Section 7-16A-10 NMSA 1978 or the treaty exemption for north Atlantic treaty organization use. If the credit exceeds the person's corporate income tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit is granted, the credit may be carried forward for five years.
- E. A taxpayer claiming a credit pursuant to this section shall provide documentation of eligibility in form and content as determined by the department.
  - F. For the purposes of this section:
- (1) "biodiesel" means renewable, biodegradable, monoalkyl ester combustible liquid fuel that is derived from agricultural plant oils or animal fats and that meets American society for testing and materials D 6751

- (2) "blended biodiesel fuel" means a diesel fuel that contains at least two percent biodiesel; and
- (3) "diesel fuel" means any diesel-engine fuel used for the generation of power to propel a motor vehicle."

Section 9. A new section of the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act is enacted to read:

"GROSS RECEIPTS TAX--COMPENSATING TAX--BIODIESEL BLENDING FACILITY TAX CREDIT.--

A. A taxpayer who is a rack operator as defined in the Special Fuels Supplier Tax Act and who installs biodiesel blending equipment in property owned by the taxpayer for the purpose of establishing or expanding a facility to produce blended biodiesel fuel is eligible to claim a credit against gross receipts tax or compensating tax. The credit shall be an amount equal to thirty percent of the purchase cost of the equipment plus thirty percent of the cost of installing that equipment. The credit provided by this section may be referred to as the "biodiesel blending facility tax credit".

- B. The biodiesel blending facility tax credit shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) with respect to equipment installed at any one facility.
  - C. Upon application from a taxpayer wishing to

claim the biodiesel blending facility tax credit, the energy, minerals and natural resources department shall determine if the equipment for which the tax credit will be claimed meets the requirements of this section and if purchase and installation costs reported by the taxpayer are legitimate. Upon these determinations being made in favor of the taxpayer, the energy, minerals and natural resources department shall issue a dated certificate of eligibility containing this information and an estimate of the amount of the biodiesel blending facility tax credit for which the taxpayer is eligible.

D. To claim the biodiesel blending facility tax credit, the taxpayer shall provide to the taxation and revenue department the certificate of eligibility from the energy, minerals and natural resources department. Upon receipt of the certificate, the taxation and revenue department shall approve the claim for the credit if the total cumulative amount of approved claims for the credit for all taxpayers for the calendar year does not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000). The department shall maintain a record of the cumulative amount of claims for the credit that have been approved and when it determines that this cumulative amount has reached one million dollars (\$1,000,000), it shall cease approving any additional claims for the biodiesel blending facility tax credit.

1 If a taxpayer who has received the biodiesel 2 blending facility tax credit ceases biodiesel blending without 3 completing at least one hundred eighty days of availability of the facility within the first three hundred sixty-five days 4 5 after the issuance of the certificate of eligibility from the 6 energy, minerals and natural resources department, any amount of approved credit not applied against the taxpayer's gross 7 8 receipts tax or compensating tax liability shall be 9 extinguished. The taxpayer must amend the taxpayer's return, 10 self-assess the tax owed and return any biodiesel blending 11 facility tax credit received within four hundred twenty-five days of the date of issuance of the certificate of 12

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F. The tax credit provided by this section may only be applied against the taxpayer's gross receipts tax liability or compensating tax liability. If the credit exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability in the reporting period for which it is granted, the credit may be carried forward for four years from the date of the certificate of eligibility.

G. For the purposes of this section:

(1) "biodiesel" means renewable, biodegradable, monoalkyl ester combustible liquid fuel that is derived from agricultural plant oils or animal fats and that meets American society for testing and materials D 6751 standard specification for biodiesel B100 blend stock for

1 distillate fuels; 2 "biodiesel blending equipment" means (2) 3 equipment necessary for the process of blending biodiesel with diesel fuel to produce blended biodiesel fuel; 4 5 "blended biodiesel fuel" means a diesel 6 fuel that contains at least two percent biodiesel; and "diesel fuel" means any diesel-engine 7 (4) 8 fuel used for the generation of power to propel a motor 9 vehicle." Section 10. A new section of the Gross Receipts and 10 Compensating Tax Act is enacted to read: 11 "DEDUCTION--GROSS RECEIPTS--SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS.--12 Receipts from the sale and installation of 13 solar energy systems may be deducted from gross receipts. 14 15 B. As used in this section, "solar energy system" means an installation that is used to provide space heat, hot 16 water or electricity to the property in which it is installed 17 and is: 18 (1) an installation that utilizes solar 19 20 panels that are not also windows, including the solar panels and all equipment necessary for the installation and operation 21 of the solar panels; 22 a dark-colored water tank exposed to (2) 23 sunlight, including all equipment necessary for the 24 installation and operation of the water tank as a part of the SB 463

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overall water system of the property; or

(3) a non-vented trombe wall, including all equipment necessary for the installation and operation of the trombe wall."

Section 11. SHORT TITLE.--Sections 11 through 18 of this act may be cited as the "Alternative Energy Product Manufacturers Tax Credit Act".

Section 12. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Alternative Energy Product Manufacturers Tax Credit Act:

- A. "alternative energy product" means an alternative energy vehicle, fuel cell system, renewable energy system or any component of an alternative energy vehicle, fuel cell system or renewable energy system or components for integrated gasification combined cycle coal facilities and equipment related to the sequestration of carbon from integrated gasification combined cycle plants;
- B. "alternative energy vehicle" means a motor vehicle manufactured by an original equipment manufacturer that fully warrants and certifies that the motor vehicle meets the federal motor vehicle safety standards and is designed to be propelled in whole or in part by electricity; "alternative energy vehicle" includes a gasoline-electric hybrid motor vehicle exempt from the motor vehicle excise tax pursuant to Subsection F of Section 7-14-6 NMSA 1978;
  - C. "component" means a part, assembly of parts,

2	into an end product;
3	D. "department" means the taxation and revenue
4	department, the secretary of taxation and revenue or an
5	employee of the department exercising authority lawfully
6	delegated to that employee by the secretary;
7	E. "fuel cell system" means a system that converts
8	hydrogen, natural gas or waste gas to electricity without
9	combustion, including:
10	(1) a fuel cell or a system used to generate
11	or reform hydrogen for use in a fuel cell; or
12	(2) a system used to generate or reform
13	hydrogen for use in a fuel cell, including:
14	(a) electrolyzers that use renewable
15	energy; and
16	(b) reformers that use natural gas as
17	the feedstock;
18	F. "manufacturing" means combining or processing
19	components or materials to increase their value for sale in
20	the ordinary course of business, but does not include
21	construction, farming, power generation or processing natural
22	resources;
23	G. "manufacturing equipment" means an essential
24	machine, mechanism or tool or a component of an essential
25	machine, mechanism or tool used directly and exclusively in a SB 463 Page 57

material, ingredient or supply that is incorporated directly

taxpayer's manufacturing operation and that is subject to depreciation pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 by the taxpayer carrying on the manufacturing; provided that "manufacturing equipment" does not include a vehicle that leaves the site of a manufacturing operation for the purpose of transporting persons or property, including property for which the taxpayer claims a credit pursuant to Section 7-9-79 NMSA 1978;

- H. "manufacturing operation" means a plant
  employing personnel to perform production tasks, in
  conjunction with manufacturing equipment not previously
  existing at the site, to produce alternative energy products;
- I. "modified combined tax liability" means the total liability for the reporting period for the gross receipts tax imposed by Section 7-9-4 NMSA 1978 together with any tax collected at the same time and in the same manner as that gross receipts tax, such as the compensating tax, the withholding tax, the interstate telecommunications gross receipts tax, the surcharge imposed by Section 63-9D-5 NMSA 1978 and the surcharge imposed by Section 63-9F-11 NMSA 1978, minus the amount of any credit other than the alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit applied against any or all of those taxes or surcharges; provided that "modified combined tax liability" excludes all amounts collected with respect to local option gross receipts taxes;

1	J. "pass-through entity" means a business
2	association other than:
3	(l) a sole proprietorship;
4	(2) an estate or trust;
5	(3) a corporation, limited liability
6	company, partnership or other entity that is not a sole
7	proprietorship taxed as a corporation for federal income tax
8	purposes for the taxable year; or
9	(4) a partnership that is organized as an
10	investment partnership in which the partner's income is
11	derived solely from interest, dividends and sales of
12	securities;
13	K. "qualified expenditure" means an expenditure
14	for the purchase of manufacturing equipment made after July 1,
15	2006 by a taxpayer approved by the department;
16	L. "renewable energy" means energy from solar
17	heat, solar light, wind, geothermal energy, landfill gas or
18	biomass either singly or in combination that produces low or
19	zero emissions and has substantial long-term production
20	potential;
21	M. "renewable energy system" means a system using
22	only renewable energy to produce hydrogen or to generate
23	electricity, including related cogeneration systems that
24	create mechanical energy or that produce heat or steam for

space or water heating and agricultural or small industrial

1	processes and includes a:
2	(1) photovoltaic energy system;
3	(2) solar-thermal energy system;
4	(3) biomass energy system;
5	(4) wind energy system;
6	(5) hydrogen production system; or
7	(6) battery cell energy system; and
8	N. "taxpayer" means a person, including a
9	shareholder, member, partner or other owner of a pass-through
10	entity, who is liable for payment of a tax or to whom an
11	assessment has been made, if the assessment remains unabated
12	or the amount thereof has not been paid.
13	Section 13. ADMINISTRATIONThe department shall
14	administer the Alternative Energy Product Manufacturers Tax
15	Credit Act pursuant to the Tax Administration Act.
16	Section 14. ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS
17	TAX CREDIT
18	A. A tax credit to be known as the "alternative
19	energy product manufacturers tax credit" may be claimed by a
20	taxpayer in an amount:
21	(1) for which the taxpayer has been granted
22	approval by the department pursuant to the Alternative Energy
23	Product Manufacturers Tax Credit Act; and
24	(2) not to exceed five percent of the

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taxpayer's qualified expenditures.

B. The alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit may only be deducted from the taxpayer's modified combined tax liability. Any portion of the alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit that remains unused at the end of the taxpayer's reporting period may be carried forward for five years.

Section 15. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS--EMPLOYMENT.--To be eligible to claim a credit pursuant to the Alternative Energy Product Manufacturers Tax Credit Act, the taxpayer shall employ a number of full-time employees equal to one full-time employee in addition to the number of full-time employees employed one year prior to the day on which the taxpayer applies for the credit for every:

A. five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), or a portion of that amount, of qualified expenditures claimed by the taxpayer in a taxable year in the same claim, up to a value of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000); and

B. one million dollars (\$1,000,000), or a portion of that amount, in value of qualified expenditures over thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) claimed by the taxpayer in a taxable year in the same claim.

Section 16. APPROVAL OF CREDIT--ISSUANCE AND DENIAL--APPLICATION--DEADLINES.--

A. The department shall issue or deny approval for an alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit in

- B. The department may require a taxpayer who claims an alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit to produce evidence of the taxpayer's compliance with the Alternative Energy Product Manufacturers Tax Credit Act.
- C. A taxpayer may apply for approval of an alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit on or before the last day of the year following the end of the calendar year in which the qualified expenditure is made. The department shall not issue approval for the alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit if the taxpayer applies for approval after the last day of the year following the end of the calendar year in which the qualified expenditure is made.

Section 17. RECAPTURE.--If the taxpayer or a successor in the business of the taxpayer ceases operations at a facility in New Mexico for at least one hundred eighty consecutive days within a two-year period after the taxpayer has claimed an alternative energy product manufacturers tax credit, the department shall not grant additional alternative energy product manufacturers tax credits with respect to that facility. Any amount of the approved credit with respect to that facility that is not claimed against the taxpayer's

modified combined tax liability shall be extinguished, and within thirty days after the one hundred eightieth day of cessation of operations, the taxpayer shall pay the modified income tax liability against which an approved credit was taken. For the purposes of this section, a taxpayer shall not be deemed to have ceased operations during reasonable periods for maintenance or retooling, for the repair or replacement of facilities damaged or destroyed or during labor disputes.

Section 18. CREDIT CLAIM FORMS.--The department shall provide credit claim forms and instructions. A credit claim form shall accompany any return in which the taxpayer claims a credit, and the claim shall specify the amount of credit intended to apply to each return.

Section 19. REPEAL.--Laws 2005, Chapter 104, Section 7 is repealed.

Section 20. DELAYED REPEAL.--Sections 5 and 6 of this act are repealed effective January 1, 2013.

## Section 21. APPLICABILITY. --

- A. The provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2008.
- B. The provisions of Sections 3 and 4 of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2013.
- C. The provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2008

and ending on or before December 31, 2012.

Section 22. CONTINUED APPLICABILITY OF TAX CREDIT. -- The balance of a tax credit granted before December 31, 2012 to a taxpayer pursuant to Section 5 or 6 of this act may be applied after that date in the manner provided for in Section 5 or 6 of this act against the taxpayer's personal or corporate income tax liability, as applicable as if the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this act were still in effect.

Section 23. EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the provisions of Sections 9 through 18 of this act is July 1, 2007.\_\_\_

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