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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the credit for electricity produced from certain renewable resources to energy produced from landfill gas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CAMP (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, and Mrs. THURMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CREDIT FOR ELECTRICITY PRODUCED FROM**
4 **CERTAIN RENEWABLE RESOURCES EX-**
5 **PANDED TO INCLUDE ENERGY PRODUCED**
6 **FROM LANDFILL GAS.**

7 (a) LANDFILL GAS TREATED AS RENEWABLE
8 SOURCE.—Paragraph (1) of section 45(c) of the Internal
9 Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to definitions) is amended

1 by striking “and” at the end of subparagraph (A), by
2 striking the period at the end of subparagraph (B) and
3 inserting “, and”, and by adding at the end the following
4 new subparagraph:

5 “(C) landfill gas.”

6 (b) LANDFILL GAS DEFINED.—Subsection (c) of sec-
7 tion 45 of such Code is amended by redesignating para-
8 graph (3) as paragraph (4) and by inserting after para-
9 graph (2) the following new paragraph:

10 “(3) LANDFILL GAS.—The term ‘landfill gas’
11 means gas generated from the decomposition of mu-
12 nicipal solid waste.”

13 (c) CREDIT ALSO ALLOWABLE FOR SALE OF LAND-
14 FILL GAS.—Section 45 of such Code is amended by add-
15 ing at the end the following new subsection:

16 “(e) CREDIT ALLOWABLE FOR SALE OF LANDFILL
17 GAS.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of landfill gas
19 which is produced by the taxpayer but not used by
20 the taxpayer to produce electricity, paragraph (2) of
21 subsection (a) shall be applied as if it read as fol-
22 lows:

23 “(2) the kilowatt-hour equivalent of the landfill
24 gas—

1 “(A) produced by the taxpayer at a quali-
2 fied facility during the 10-year period beginning
3 on the date the facility was originally placed in
4 service, and

5 “(B) sold by the taxpayer to an unrelated
6 person during the taxable year.’

7 “(2) KILOWATT HOUR EQUIVALENT.—For pur-
8 poses of applying this subsection, the kilowatt hour
9 equivalent for landfill gas is the amount of such gas
10 which has a Btu content of 10,000.

11 “(3) SPECIAL RULES.—In the case of landfill
12 gas to which this subsection applies—

13 “(A) the reference to electricity in para-
14 graphs (1) and (4) of subsection (d) shall be
15 treated as including a reference to such gas,

16 “(B) the reference price for such gas shall
17 be determined under subsection (d)(2)(C) on
18 the basis of kilowatt hour equivalents, and

19 “(C) the reference to ownership interests
20 in subsection (d)(3) shall be treated as includ-
21 ing a reference to any economic interest.”

22 (d) QUALIFIED FACILITY.—Paragraph (4) of section
23 45(c) of such Code, as redesignated by subsection (b), is
24 amended to read as follows:

25 “(4) QUALIFIED FACILITY.—

1 “(A) WIND FACILITY.—In the case of a fa-
2 cility using wind to produce electricity, the term
3 ‘qualified facility’ means any facility owned by
4 the taxpayer which is originally placed in serv-
5 ice after December 31, 1993, and before Janu-
6 ary 1, 2004.

7 “(B) CLOSED-LOOP BIOMASS FACILITY.—
8 In the case of a facility using closed-loop bio-
9 mass to produce electricity, the term ‘qualified
10 facility’ means any facility owned by the tax-
11 payer which is originally placed in service after
12 December 31, 1992, and before January 1,
13 2004.

14 “(C) LANDFILL GAS FACILITY.—

15 “(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a
16 landfill gas facility, the term ‘qualified fa-
17 cility’ means any facility of the taxpayer
18 which is originally placed in service after
19 June 30, 1998, and before January 1,
20 2004.

21 “(ii) LANDFILL GAS FACILITY.—For
22 purposes of clause (i), the term ‘landfill
23 gas facility’ means equipment and housing
24 required to produce electricity from landfill
25 gas or to produce landfill gas for sale (not

1 including wells and related systems re-
2 quired to collect and transmit gas to such
3 equipment and housing).”

4 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
5 this section shall take effect on the date of the enactment
6 of this Act.

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