#### Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) April 15, 2025; 10:30 am – 3:30 pm EST Virtual

The Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) convened the second full meeting under its 2024 - 2026 charter from 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM EST on April 15, 2025. The meeting was attended virtually on Microsoft Teams.

#### **ETTAC Members Present:**

- Mr. James (Tres) Bailey
- Ms. Dana Blumberg
- Dr. Rastislav Brezny
- Mr. Dennis Calvert
- Mr. Thomas Cavett
- Mr. Chuck Chaitovitz
- Mr. Henry Charrabé
- Ms. Lina Chiaverini
- Mr. Joesph Danyluk
- Mr. Scott Daughtery
- Mr. Matt Durbin
- Mr. Richard Ebel
- Ms. Anne Germain
- Mr. Max Herzog
- Mr. Patrick Hill
- Mr. Jason Hochman
- Ms. Debra Johnson
- Mr. Ajay Kasarabada
- Mr. Jay Koh

#### Stephanie Lezcano Ms. Mr. Jim Matharu David Moth Mr. Kristyn Oldendorf Ms. Jeremy Pollack Mr. Ashish Raval Mr. Eric Reading Mr. Mr. Jonathan Roumel Clare Schulzki Ms. **Roderick Scott** Mr. Mr. Adam Shaffer Scott South Mr. Claudio Ternieden Mr. Craig Updyke Mr. Roberto Vengoechea Mr. Ashley Voskuhl Ms. Mr. David Yellen

#### Mr. Sean Wihera

**Department of Commerce Officials Present:** 

Megan Hyndman, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), ETTAC Evelina Scott, Secondary DFO & International Trade Specialist, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries (OEEI) Man Cho, Deputy Director, OEEI Anna Cron, International Trade Specialist, OEEI Alec Hilton, International Trade Specialist, OEEI Frances Selema, Global Environmental Technologies Team Lead Jason Evans, Regional Manager, Advocacy Center Ana Reed, Senior International Trade Specialist, Office of Trade Agreements Negotiation and Compliance (TANC) Morgan Jefferies, International Trade Specialist, TANC Kenyon Weaver, Senior Counsel, Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) Kara Molnar, International Program Specialist, CLDP Anna Sherman, International Program Specialist, CLDP

#### **Other U.S. Government Officials Present:**

Abigail Tierney, International Environmental Program Specialist, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brianna Besch, Senior Advisor for the Trade and Economics Program, EPA Scott Ticknor, Office Director, Department of State Timothy Carroll, Foreign Affairs Officer, State Andrew Clark, Chief for Chemicals, Air Quality, and Waste Benjamin Todd, Vice President, Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM) Nicole Melnyk, Operations Research Analyst, EXIM Amy Kreps, Director for Environment and Natural Resources, Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR)

### Members of the Public Present:

Rebecca Wheeler, American Water Works Association Lauren Ott, American Water Works Association

### **April 15th MEETING MINUTES**

#### Welcome and Committee Business

Designated Federal Officer (DFO) Megan Hyndman and Secondary DFO Evelina Scott welcomed committee members and began the meeting. DFO Hyndman discussed the current status of the ETTAC's first recommendation letter. She also noted that the new Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Office of Manufacturing for the International Trade Administration, Alex Krutz, had onboarded. The ETTAC then approved the meeting minutes from January 28 and March 14.

#### **Subcommittee Readouts**

ETTAC subcommittees provided readouts from their subcommittee meetings in February and March and discussed priority topics and key areas of focus for future recommendation letters. Members discussed the importance of coordinating across subcommittees to deconflict areas of interest and identify potential opportunities for collaboration on recommendation letters.

### **Review of ETTAC/ETWG Recommendation Process & Best Practices**

DFO Hyndman and Secondary DFO Scott discussed best practices for drafting and approving ETTAC recommendation letters and provided insights regarding the Department of Commerce and interagency process that occurs once letters are submitted to the Secretary. Chair Schulzki highlighted the draft template to use for recommendation letters.

### Working Lunch & Closed Session Subcommittee Meetings

ETTAC members broke out into their respective subcommittees and discussed their priorities and areas of engagement.

# Panel Discussion 1: Overview of Department of Commerce Tools & Resources for U.S. Companies

The ETTAC received briefings from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Advocacy Center, Office of Trade Agreements Negotiations and Compliance, and the Commercial Law Development Program about programs and resources for U.S. exporters and relevant activities in the environmental technologies sector.

## Panel Discussion 2: How does the Interagency Advance U.S. Commercial Interests and Support U.S. Exporters?

ETTAC members had the opportunity to hear from representatives from the U.S. Department of State, Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Export-Import Bank of the United States about their work with U.S. companies and activities relevant to the environmental technologies industry.

#### Next Steps, Public Comment

DFO Hyndman discussed next steps and reminded the committee that the next full ETTAC meeting will take place June 3<sup>rd</sup> in-person at the U.S. Department of Commerce. No issues were raised during the public comment period. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing meeting minutes are accurate and complete.

Megan Hyndman Designated Federal Officer Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee

Clare Schulzki Chair Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee