AMENDMENT TO

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Page 787, after line 23, insert the following:

1	(3) Iron and steel.—
2	(A) In general.—In establishing any fed-
3	erally owned strategic equipment reserve, no
4	Federal funds shall be used for the purchase of
5	large power transformers, generator step-up
6	transformers, power conversion equipment, or
7	other critical electric grid equipment unless all
8	of the iron and steel products used in such
9	equipment are produced in the United States.
10	(B) Waiver.—
11	(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
12	waive application of subparagraph (A) in
13	any case or category of cases in which the
14	Secretary finds that—
15	(I) applying subparagraph (A)
16	would be inconsistent with the public
17	interest;
18	(II) iron and steel products are
19	not produced in the United States in

1	sufficient and reasonably available
2	quantities or of a satisfactory quality;
3	or
4	(III) inclusion of iron and steel
5	products produced in the United
6	States will increase the cost of the ap-
7	plicable large power transformers,
8	generator step-up transformers, power
9	conversion equipment, or other critical
10	electric grid equipment by more than
11	25 percent.
12	(ii) Process.—Before issuing a waiv-
13	er under this subparagraph, the Secretary
14	shall—
15	(I) make publicly available in an
16	easily accessible location on a website
17	designated by the Office of Manage-
18	ment and Budget and on the website
19	of the Department of Energy a de-
20	tailed written explanation for the pro-
21	posed determination to issue the waiv-
22	er; and
23	(II) provide a period of not less
24	than 15 days for public comment on
25	the proposed waiver.

1	(C) International agreements.—This
2	paragraph shall be applied in a manner con-
3	sistent with United States obligations under
4	international agreements.
5	(D) Definitions.—In this paragraph—
6	(i) the term "iron and steel products"
7	includes electrical steel used in the manu-
8	facture of—
9	(I) transformers; and
10	(II) laminations, cores, and other
11	transformer components; and
12	(ii) in the case of iron and steel prod-
13	ucts, the term "produced in the United
14	States" means that all manufacturing
15	processes, from the initial melting stage
16	through the application of coatings, oc-
17	curred in the United States.
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