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AdvanceETV – Towards Global Environmental Technology Verification

Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) is a process that provides independent evaluation of the environmental performance of a technology. Overall, ETV aims to help users and investors choose and invest in environmentally sound technologies. This includes technologies that address climate change and environmental protection, as well as technologies that monitor environmental changes and effects.

ETV helps to reduce potential risks and uncertainties related to investments in new and/or innovative technologies. ETV further helps companies demonstrate the performance of their technologies thereby improving market acceptance.

Nationally recognized ETV programs exist in the US and Canada, and a European ETV scheme is now being established. A European Commission funded cooperation project, called AdvanceETV, has been launched to develop tools and cooperative approaches to facilitate recognition and acceptance of ETV data amongst the different ETV schemes. One aspect of this project is to provide documentation on technology performance via the collection and analysis of credible data collected by independent third parties with established quality systems that can be accepted globally.

AdvanceETV is now seeking vendors that would like to have their technologies verified concurrently in Europe, the US and Canada!

The objective is for candidate technologies to be tested once and the results verified in accordance with the three schemes (European, US and Canadian). Although candidate technology vendors must be prepared to pay for testing for **one** verification, extension to the other two verification programs will be covered by the AdvanceETV project. The verifications will serve as pilots to help guide the development of a road map for mutual recognition under the different ETV schemes.

Detailed agreements between candidate technology vendors and the AdvanceETV partners will be prepared as the first step under this cooperative verification initiative. Interested technology vendors should contact one of the AdvanceETV partners listed below.

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