

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2454
OFFERED BY MR. KUCINICH OF OHIO

Page 584, line 1, through page 586, line 13, strike
subparagraphs (A) through (E) and insert the following:

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Covered entities col-
2 lectively may, in accordance with this para-
3 graph, use offset credits to demonstrate compli-
4 ance for up to a maximum of 26.7 percent of
5 covered greenhouse gas emissions annually. The
6 ability to demonstrate compliance with offset
7 credits shall be divided pro rata among covered
8 entities by allowing each covered entity to sat-
9 isfy 26.7 percent of the number of allowances
10 required to be held under subsection (b) to
11 demonstrate compliance by holding 1 domestic
12 offset credit or 1.25 international offset credits
13 in lieu of an emission allowance, except as pro-
14 vided in subparagraph (D).

15 “(B) DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL OFF-
16 SET PERCENTAGE.— Not more than one half of
17 the offsets credits held by a covered entity to
18 demonstrate compliance may be domestic offset
19 credits, and not more than one half of the off-

1 set credits held by a covered entity to dem-
2 onstrate compliance may be international offset
3 credits, except as provided in subparagraph
4 (C)..

5 “(C) MODIFIED PERCENTAGES.—If the
6 Administrator determines that domestic offset
7 credits available for use in demonstrating com-
8 pliance in any calendar year at domestic offset
9 prices generally equal to or less than emission
10 allowance prices, are likely to offset less than
11 12 percent of covered greenhouse gas emissions
12 (measured in tons of carbon dioxide equiva-
13 lents), for purposes of compliance demonstra-
14 tion in that year the Administrator shall—

15 “(i) increase the percentage of emis-
16 sions that can be offset through the use of
17 international offset credits to reflect the
18 amount that 13.3 percent of covered emis-
19 sions exceeds the number of domestic off-
20 set credits the Administrator determines is
21 available, at prices generally equal to or
22 less than emission allowance prices, for
23 that year, up to a maximum of 20 percent
24 of covered greenhouse gas emissions; and

1 “(ii) decrease the percentage of emis-
2 sions that can be offset through the use of
3 domestic offset credits by the same
4 amount.

5 “(D) INTERNATIONAL OFFSET CREDITS.—

6 (i) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), to dem-
7 onstrate compliance prior to calendar year
8 2018, a covered entity may use 1 international
9 offset credit in lieu of an emission allowance up
10 to the amount permitted under this paragraph.

11 “(ii) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), to
12 demonstrate compliance in calendar year 2018
13 and thereafter, a covered entity may only utilize
14 international offset credits generated pursuant
15 to section 743(c).

