

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2454
OFFERED BY MR. ROHRABACHER OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of subpart C of part 1 of subtitle E of title IV, add the following:

1 **SEC. 483. EXEMPTION OF SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS FROM**
2 **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT RE-**
3 **QUIREMENT.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Title I of the National Environ-
5 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4331 et seq.) is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 “SEC. 106. No action relating to the development, de-
8 ployment, or operation of a solar energy project on lands
9 managed by the Bureau of Land Management shall be
10 considered a major Federal action for the purposes of sec-
11 tion 102(2)(C).”.

12 (b) **EFFECT FOR STATEMENTS UNDERWAY.**—Each
13 department and agency of the Federal Government shall
14 cease the preparation of a statement, commenced pursu-
15 ant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental
16 Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)), for any action
17 described in the amendment made by subsection (a), to

- 1 the extent that the preparation of such statement would
- 2 delay or otherwise interfere with such action.

