

Washington State EITE Carbon Policy Principles

Should carbon policy be adopted in the State of Washington, the goal of these principles is to reduce the leakage of greenhouse gas emissions and jobs associated with Energy Intensive Trade Exposed (EITE) facilities to other states and countries where the result would be an overall increase of global greenhouse gas emissions. EITE facilities in Washington are facilities that are operating in globally-based markets which are highly competitive. In addition, the manufacture of their products is energy intensive and represents a high portion of their manufacturing costs. EITEs captured under carbon policy place them at an economic disadvantage with global competitors not operating under a similar carbon policy as these costs cannot be easily passed on to customers*. And finally, EITEs require flexibility in the fuels that are available to use in order to meet production needs and a wide variety of industry specific compliance pathways.

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