

The inaugural policy summit of TREM is truly a unique event. At our proceedings on March 17, 2010, Assistant Energy Secretary David Sandalow has announced a new initiative.

"I am today announcing that the Department of Energy will develop its first-ever strategic plan for addressing the role of rare earth and other strategic materials in clean energy technologies. The plan will apply the approaches described above and draw on the strengths of the Department in technology innovation. We will build on work on these topics already underway, including in DOE's national labs, and work closely with colleagues from other agencies throughout the U.S. government. We will solicit broad public input, including from the stakeholders and experts here in this room."

Full text in the attached document.