In a statement at the Washington Navy Yard on August 11, President Barack Obama announced his administration’s plans to ensure that America’s veterans have the support they need to enter the workforce, and challenged private sector firms to commit to hire or train 100,000 unemployed veterans and their spouses. The press release for his announcement also praised the Center for Energy Workforce Development’s Troops to Energy Jobs initiative as an "excellent veteran-focused program" already underway.

**Troops to Energy Jobs** will accelerate the training and employability of veterans for key energy positions. CEWD will work with government departments, state agencies, community colleges, unions, the American Council on Education, ACT, and Kuder Inc. to create this unique partnership.

See the Fact Sheet on the President’s Commitment to Employing Veterans
The Center for Energy Workforce Development has made a Commitment to Action with the Clinton Global Initiative to contribute energy curriculum to educational institutions at no cost. The Clinton Global Initiative was established in 2005 by President Bill Clinton, and its mission is to inspire, connect, and empower a community of global leaders to forge solutions to the world’s most pressing challenges.

The Energy Industry Fundamentals curriculum based on the Energy Industry Competency Model, to be distributed in partnership with Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) as part of the PG&E Power Pathway program, includes instructor and student guides, presentations, labs, and other hands-on activities to teach students about the basics of the energy industry. The curriculum will also provide access to a website for current topics, including donated curriculum on “Smart Grid 101” created by the IEEE Power and Energy Society.

Read about CEWD’s Clinton Global Initiative Commitment