

## Clean tech hurt by R&D tax credit changes

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Wind farms are just one example of the type of equipment that's often an integral component of clean technologies. Changes to R&D tax credits could discourage some companies from investing in clean tech equipment. Ted Rhodes/Calgary Herald

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While most of Canada's business community breathed a collective sigh of relief over the relatively minimal changes the federal government made to the way R&D is funded, recent commentary from SR&ED Specialist Mahrie Boyle of NorthBridge Consultants points out those in the Clean Tech industry might not be quite as enthused.

In a recent post on [Renewable Energy World.com](#), Ms. Boyle notes that the federal government's move to make capital expenditures ineligible for SR&ED tax credits could serve to discourage innovation in the clean tech sector where R&D often involves large equipment costs.

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