



## Office of Representative Heath Shuler

Representing North Carolina's Eleventh Congressional District

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***For Tomorrow, April 11<sup>th</sup>***

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### **Rep. Shuler to Announce Federal Appropriation to Expand Green Energy *Western North Carolina Clean Energy Business Incubator will Promote Local Economy***

*Washington, D.C.* – Representative Heath Shuler will join Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College to announce tomorrow morning that he has secured a federal appropriation of over \$350,000 for the creation of the Western North Carolina Clean Energy Business Incubator.

Rep. Shuler secured the funding in the Fiscal Year 2008 Omnibus Appropriations Act. The Clean Energy Business Incubator will help attract “anchor” businesses and form a clean energy cluster.

Rep. Shuler will tour the existing Small Business Incubator prior to the announcement.

**What:** Announcement of federal appropriation for the creation of the Western North Carolina Clean Energy Business Incubator

**Who:** Rep. Heath Shuler; Russ Yelton, Executive Director of Entrepreneurial Ventures and Business Incubation Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College

**When:** Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 a.m. – Tour of AB Tech Small Business Incubator  
10:30 a.m. – Official Announcement of Federal Appropriation

**Where:** AB Tech Enka Campus  
Room 2046 of the Small Business Center

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