RE: Support for State Implementation of Carbon Pollution Standards

Dear Governors:

We, the undersigned companies and investors, have a significant presence in your state and strongly support the implementation of the Environmental Protection Agency’s Carbon Pollution Standards for existing power plants. These standards, also called the Clean Power Plan, are critical for moving our country toward a clean energy economy. The Plan’s flexible approach provides an exciting opportunity for states to customize their own energy portfolio, expand clean energy solutions, attract new industries to the state, and create thousands of jobs.

Our support is firmly grounded in economic reality. Clean energy solutions are cost effective and innovative ways to drive investment and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Increasingly, businesses rely on renewable energy and energy efficiency solutions to cut costs and improve corporate performance. In 2014, a study by Ceres, Calvert Investments and the World Wildlife Fund revealed that 60 percent of Fortune100 companies have set their own clean energy targets and have saved more than $1 billion a year in the process.1

Clear and consistent policies can send market signals that help businesses and investors plan for the future. We are seeking long-term policies that provide businesses the certainty needed to transition to a clean energy economy. Electric power plants are the single largest source of carbon pollution in the United States and the Clean Power Plan will be pivotal in reducing their emissions.

As you develop your implementation plan we hope you will include the building blocks of renewable energy and energy efficiency, which will allow you to mitigate the risks of climate change and the volatility of fossil fuel prices.

We are already experiencing increased frequency and intensity of storms, warmer temperatures, extreme precipitation, and changes in weather patterns that will continue to put trillions of dollars of institutional investors’ assets at risk and require companies to be innovative at adapting to these changes. From our positions as employers and fiduciaries, we seek a greater degree of policy certainty in order to better manage these risks in our operations, supply chains, and portfolios.

We are encouraged that the Plan allows states to use a number of flexible strategies to comply with the standards. States can build on successful clean energy policies already in place around
the country and thereby accelerate additional investment. Evidence shows that emissions reductions can be achieved without long-term economic harm or damage to the reliability of our electricity system. We also hope to see states take care to ensure a just transition for impacted workers and communities during this shift toward a low carbon economy.

We encourage your timely finalization of your state’s implementation plan and offer the support of the business community in your pursuit of cost-effective clean energy solutions.

Thank you for your leadership.

Sincerely,

ABC Box Co.
adidas Group
Adventure safety International
Aggrandized
Agrarian Ales
Akamai Technologies, Inc.
All Seasons Garden Center
Allard PPC
American Exchange
American Outdoor Products, Inc.
Amicus Green Building Center, LLC
Aquinas Associates
Argyle Brewing Company, LLC
Arjuna Capital
Asean Corporation (Stalkmarket brands)
Aspen Brewing Company
Aspen Skiing Company
Autodesk
Auralites Inc
Aveda
Bay Trading
Bella Stella
Ben & Jerry's
Benjamin Visuals
Bespoken Corporate Communications
BIOJAM
Blogs for Brands
Blue Chip Technologies LLC
Blue Moon Massage
Boston Common Asset Management
Breathe Deep
Breckinridge Capital Advisors
Brewery Vivant
Bridger Bowl
Broadsie Bookshop
Broadway Cab LLC
Buena
Building Doctors
Bum Boosa Bamboo Productions
Burton Snowboards
Calvert Investments
Captains of Industry
Carolina Biodiesel, LLC
Catskill Brewery
CDI Meters, Inc.
Cedar Mill Communications
CEO Pipe Organs/Golden Ponds Farm
Chandler llc
Chez Sven Bed & Breakfast
Christopher Reynolds Foundation
Chuckanut Brewery & Kitchen
Clark Farms
Classic Communications
Clean Agency
Clean Power Finance
Clean Yield Asset Management
Clif Bar & Company
Climate Clean, Inc.
Climate First!, Inc.
Climate Ready Solutions LLC
ClimeCo Corporation
Closed Loop Advisors
Cocoa Corporation
Colorado Sustainable Financial Planning
Communitas Financial Planning
Computer Co-op
Concept Green LLC
Contempl8 T-Shirts LLC
Continuum Industries
Convergence Energy
Cooperative Energy Futures
Copyrose Marketing & Communications
Cornerstone Tree Care
CR360
Creativo
Creekwood Energy Partners
Curren Media Group
Dana Investment Advisors
Daughters of Charity, Province of St. Louise
DBL Partners
Debra Little Sustainable Design
Detour, LLC
Dignity Health
Digs
Distributed Energy Management
Dominican Sisters
Domini Social Investments LLC
Earth and Sky Architecture
Earthshade Natural Window Fashions
EarthWiseOptions.com
eBay
Ecco Bella
Eco Ohio
Eco-Products
Ecogate, Inc.
EcoPlum
EILEEN FISHER, Inc.
Electric Vehicle Institute
Energy Strategy Environment
EnviroMedia
Espresso Parts LLC
Ethical Markets Media
Eva Realty, LLC
Evluma
eWind Solutions
Exact Solar
Fiberactive Organics, LLC
First Affirmative Financial Network
Flynn & Assoc., Inc.
Fort George Brewery and Public House
Fort Production Management, Inc.
Fresh Perspective, Inc.
Fresh Potato Factory
Friends Fiduciary Corporation

Gaia's Basket
Gap Inc.
General Mills, Inc.
GO Box
GOLO Enterprise
Gomez Consulting Group
Great Green Content
Green Advantage Consultants
Green Alliance
Green And Profitable
Green Century Capital Management
Green CO2 systems
Green Concierge Travel LLC
Green Energy Marketing and Consulting
Green Girl Land Development Solutions LLC
Green Heron Tools, LLC
Green Pod LLC
Green Team Spirit
GREENPLAN Inc.
GreenTone Environmental Design
Greenway Transit Services, LLC
Gypsy Divers
Handmade Nepal Inc.
Hayden Tanner, LLC
Helicon Works Architects
Hermans Eco Inc.
High Flight Arts and Letters
Hill Country Green Team
Hilton Head Brewing Co.
HJ Kessler Associates
HM3 Energy
Holistic Project Management Consulting
Hopcroft Consulting
House Kombucha
Hugg-A-Planet
Hydroscapes Inc.
I & I Design
IDEASforUs.org
Impact Infrastructure LLC
Imperium Renewables, Inc
Indow Windows
Innovative Power Systems
ipsy
iResortApp
Isle Inc.
J.K.F. Chilson, Opals & more
Jade Asset Growth, LLC
Jedlicka Design
Joyce Moore Financial Services/Whole Earth Investments
Juhl Energy
Jumpin’ Jay’s Fish Cafe
Just in Time Direction
K2 Sports
Kayak Media
Kenoza Type, Inc.
KERBspace
Kirschenmann Family Farms
KKI
L’Oreal USA
Leisure Wheels Quadracycles
Levi Strauss & Co.
Linda Harrar Productions LLC
Made By Hand International
MAR and UNE Provinces of the Society of Jesus
Mark Gamba Photographs
Mars Incorporated
Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers
Matrix Design Studio
Mercury Press International
Mercy Health
Mercy Investment Services
Meriwether Group
Metropolitan Group
Michael Bader MD
Midwest Coalition for Responsible Investment
Mightybytes, Inc.
Miller Chiropractic
Miller/Howard Investments, Inc.
Modern Species
Moldestad Ind., LLC
Moorland Studios, Inc.
mothering Mother
MotherTongues
Mountain Gear, Inc
Mountain Rider’s Alliance
Mountain Rose Herbs
Mphpm Designs
Mt. Baker Bio
Namaste Solar
National Benefit Service Center
National Foundry Products
Natural Investments
NBIS
Neil Kelly
Nestle
Never Too Late Basketball Camps, Inc.
New Belgium Brewing Company
New Moon Girl Media
New York City Office of the Comptroller
Next Step Living
North Star Toys
Nutritional Needs
NYR Organic
Oasis Montana Inc.
Oceans, Arts, & Designs, Inc.
Odell Brewing
OgreOgress Productions
Olavie
Old Bust Head Brewing Co.
OSEIA
Papillon Resorts, LLC
Pax World Management LLC
Performant Software Solutions
Personal Saga
PLC Repair
Pollen Brands
Portfolio Advisory Board, Adrian Dominican Sisters
Positive Energy Solar
Powell Energy and Solar
Practical Energy Solutions
Praxis Northwest
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Priyamvada Sustainability Consulting LLC
Probst Furniture Makers
Promotional Product Solutions
Proof Lab Surf Shop
Pure Strategies, Inc.
PureSolar, Inc.
Quest
R. John & Co.
RAES Foods, Inc.
Rainbow Solutions, Inc.
Raquette River Brewing
Re-Nuble
Region VI Coalition for Responsible Investment and Sisters of the Humility of Mary
ReVision Energy
Rizzo Mattingly Bosworth PC
Rockford Brewing Company
Rune's Furniture
s2 Sustainability Consultants
Saibot Media
San Juan Coffee Company, Inc
Saunders Hotel Group
Savvy Rest
**Schneider Electric**
School Sisters of Notre Dame Cooperative Investment Fund
Scoville Public Relations
SEA Builders LLC
Second Self Beer Company
See3 Communications
**Seventh Generation**
SheerWind
Shift2Green
Shimar Recycling, Inc.
Sidel Systems USA Inc.
Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, NY
Sisters of the Good Shepherd
Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sixpoint Brewery
Ski Butternut
Smartwool
Smuttynose Brewing Company
Solaero
SolSource, Inc.
Solstice Wood Fire LLC
Sonen Capital
South Carolina Small Business Chamber of Commerce
**Staples, Inc.**
Starvation Alley Farms
Steve Harvey Law, LLC
Stites Design
**Stonyfield**
StraightUp Solar
Straw Wars USA
Strong Brewing Co
Stumptown Puzzles
Suite Sleep, Inc.
**SunEdison**
Sun Light & Power
**Sungevity**
SunPeak
Sunsense Solar
Sunsprout Farms of Central Ohio
Sustain:Green
Sustainability Roundtable Inc.
Sustainability Solutions LLC
Sustainable Manufacturing Consulting
Sustainable North Bay
Sustainable Systems, Inc.
Swan Creek Energy
Taiga Company
Tandon & Associates, Inc.
Tech Networks of Boston
Technical Equipment Cleaners
TerraCarbon LLC
TerraShares
The Added Edge
The Alchemist
**The Dannon Company, Inc.**
The Hummer Group, Inc.
The Leadership Council of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
The Lion Company, Inc.
**The North Face**
The Refill Shoppe
The Sierra Club Foundation
The Stella Group, Ltd.
The Sustainability Group of Loring, Wolcott & Coolidge
**The Weather Company**
TheHitBid Company, Inc.
Thinkshift Communications
**Thornton Tomasetti**
THULE Inc.
Tierra Vista
**Timberland**
Transitioning To Green
Trap Door Brewing
Treehouse Chocolate Co
Tri-State Coalition for Responsible Investment
Trillium Asset Management
TripZero
Triskele Collaborative
Tulon LLC
TwentyTwo Designs
Underground
Unilever
Unitarian Universalist Association
Van Pelt Corbett Bellows
Velasquez Family Coffee
Venner Consulting, Inc.
VF Corporation
ViewPoint Consulting
Village Bakery & Cafe
Virginia Mason
Walden Asset Management
Walkabout Farm

Wauna Credit Union
Wespath Investment Management
West Side Auto Repair
WestCoast Associates Inc.
William Blackburn Consulting, Ltd.
William Freimuth Architecture
Wilson Solarpower Corp
Winston Eco-Strategies
Worthen Industries
WVO Management
YoCrunch LLC
YR&G
Zaurie Zimmerman Associates, Inc.
Zero Waste Solutions
Zero2Global Renewable Energy Systems
Zevin Asset Management, LLC

Bold indicates companies with >$100M in annual revenue and investors with >$2B in assets under management.

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1 See analysis, Power Forward 2.0: How American Companies Are Setting Clean Energy Targets and Capturing Greater Business Value, available at https://www.ceres.org/resources/reports/power-forward-2.0-how-american-companies-are-setting-clean-energy-targets-and-capturing-greater-business-value/


3 See Brattle Group analysis, EPA’s Clean Power Plan and Reliability, available at http://info.aee.net/brattle-reliability-report