



*Indigenous to Indigenous Climate Cooperation  
Agreement:  
Between  
The Aboriginal Carbon Fund (AbCF) and  
The First Nations Energy and Mining Council  
(FNEMC)*

***Aboriginal Carbon Fund (AbCF)***

The vision of the Aboriginal Carbon Fund is to nurture and build a sustainable Aboriginal carbon industry. In doing this, our aim is to build wealth for Traditional Owners with environmental, social and cultural co-benefits through the ethical trade of carbon with Corporate Australia and international bodies. The AbCF supports indigenous to indigenous information sharing activities.

***First Nations Energy and Mining Council (FNEMC)***

FNEMC supports and facilitates First Nation efforts to manage and develop climate, energy and mineral resources in ways that protect and sustain the environment forever while enhancing the social, cultural, economic and political well-being of First Nations in British Columbia. The FNEMC is the

only organization in BC with a direct mandate from the BC First Nations Leadership Council to do this and is represented by the political executives of The First Nations Summit, The BC -Assembly of First Nations, and the Union of BC Indian Chiefs. As such, it directly represents the 203 First Nations of the Province of British Columbia.

It is acknowledged that Indigenous Peoples have rights and interests in sustainable land management carbon. These rights are enshrined in the United Nations Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UN DRIP) , which both Australia and Canada have accepted. These UN DRIP rights include: Article (26) Right to Traditional Land Management over Traditional Territories, Article (28) Rights to Redress on Traditional Territory, and Article (29) Right to the Conservation and Protection.

The Parties agree to work together to share information and renewable energy and carbon funding models, and to hold cooperative talks, to promote intrinsic cultural values, and to facilitate investment into indigenous lands. We further agree to promote our endeavours through positive social media and communications. The parties will renew this agreement in 6 months time to develop a more specific joint action plan.

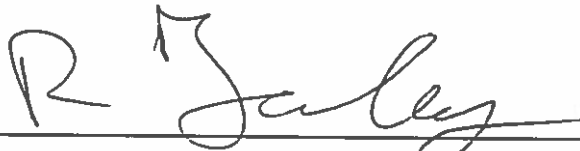
The parties also recognize that there are strong similarities between both British Columbia and Queensland, and Canada and Australia in terms of sustainable indigenous land management, Indigenous Protected Areas (IPA's) Indigenous Guardians /Rangers Programs, and carbon climate mitigation programs. The parties will encourage their respective governments to meet, cooperate and share experiences encouraging indigenous involvement in low carbon development.

This Indigenous to Indigenous Cooperation Agreement is signed on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017

In North Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

On the un-ceded traditional territory of the Musqueam Tsleil-waututh and Squamish Nations.

**For the Aboriginal Carbon Fund**



**Rowan Foley: Managing Director AbCF**

**For the First Nations Energy, and Mining Council**



**David Porter: CEO FNEMC**

