

March 24, 2020

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the house
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

**Re: INCLUSION OF MORATORIUM ON ELECTRICITY, WATER, BROADBAND AND OTHER
ESSENTIAL UTILITY SERVICES SHUT-OFFS AS PART OF COVID-19 STIMULUS PACKAGE**

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Leader Schumer, Leader McConnell, and Leader McCarthy,

On behalf of our millions of members and supporters nationwide, we, the 141 undersigned organizations, urge you to include a national moratorium on the shut-offs of all electricity, water, broadband, and other essential utilities as part of the third COVID-19 stimulus package. As a threshold matter, we sincerely thank Speaker Pelosi and the House of Representatives for including **sections 199991 (Home Energy and Water Service Continuity) and 199992 (Low-Income Household Drinking Water and Wastewater Assistance), Division X, in H.R. 6379 Taking Responsibility for Workers and Families Act**, that address the nationwide moratorium on shut-offs and low-income household drinking water and wastewater assistance. **We urge for these House bill provisions to be included in the ultimate COVID-19 stimulus package.**

The need for a nationwide moratorium on utility shut-offs has received wide public support. Last week, nearly 600 organizations—including utility justice, environmental, and faith groups—released a letter demanding a nationwide moratorium on all electricity and water utility shut-offs, waiver of all late-payment charges, and reinstitution of any services that have already been cut off due to nonpayment. (See Attachment 1.) Following the demand from 600 NGOs, sixteen senators—Senators Merkley, Duckworth, Booker, Markey, Schatz, Sanders, Hirono, Gillibrand, Wyden, Warren, Durbin, Van Hollen, Whitehouse, Carper, Blumenthal, and Harris—similarly urged in another letter for the inclusion of the immediate national moratorium on utility shut-offs. (See Attachment 2.)

This is a matter of basic human rights and public health and thus requires urgent attention in the third COVID-19 stimulus package. The coronavirus pandemic is already resulting in the widespread loss of wages and jobs across the country and will disproportionately impact low-wealth households. As these losses impact the ability of families to pay for essential utility services, access to electricity and running water for handwashing are crucial to protect households and our communities from the spread of disease. Further, access to broadband is essential for students to continue virtual education and for families to receive up-to-date news on the pandemic. Families should never be put in the impossible position where they have lost their jobs due to the coronavirus and thus are also at risk of losing access to electricity, water, broadband, and basic services to survive.

Thank you for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

1. IworkerIvote
2. 350 Seattle
3. 350 Triangle
4. ActionAid USA
5. Alabama Arise
6. Alabama Interfaith Power and Light
7. Alliance for a Green Economy
8. Alliance for Affordable Energy
9. Animals Are Sentient Beings, Inc.
10. Animas Valley Institute
11. Appalachian Voices
12. Athens County's Future Action Network (acfan.org, OH)
13. Beyond Nuclear
14. Binghamton (NY) Regional Sustainability Coalition
15. Blue Mountains Biodiversity Project
16. Cape Cod Democratic Socialists of America
17. Center for Neighborhood Technology
18. Center for Sustainable Communities
19. Center for Sustainable Economy
20. Center for Urban and Racial Equity
21. Citizens for Local Power
22. Climable, Inc.
23. Climate Defense Project
24. Columbia Law School Health Justice Advocacy Clinic
25. Community Health Councils, Inc.
26. Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto
27. Co-op Power
28. Cooperative Energy Futures
29. Corporate Accountability
30. DC Environmental Network
31. Deep Green Resistance New York
32. Dēmos
33. Detroit Community Technology Project
34. Detroiters Working for Environmental Justice
35. Down East Coal Ash Environmental and Social Justice Coalition
36. Earthjustice
37. EcoEquity
38. Education, Economics, Environmental, Climate and Health Organization (EEECHO)
39. Energy Alabama
40. EnvironmentalEE
41. Extinction Rebellion Cape Cod
42. Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition, Alaska
43. Faithful America
44. Flint Rising
45. Food & Water Action
46. Freshwater Future
47. Friends of the Earth
48. Fund for Democratic Communities, Greensboro NC
49. Gas Free Seneca

50. George Wiley Center
51. Great Old Broads for Wilderness
52. Greater New Orleans Housing Alliance (GNOHA)
53. Green For All
54. Green State Solutions
55. Greenpeace USA
56. Greenvest
57. Harambee House/Citizens for Environmental Justice
58. Health Justice Innovations, LLC
59. Hometown Action
60. HousingLOUISIANA
61. HousingNOLA
62. Illinois Environmental Council
63. In the Public Interest
64. Indigenous Environmental Network
65. Institute for Local Self-Reliance
66. Institute for Policy Studies Climate Policy Program
67. Interfaith Oceans
68. Iowa Interfaith Power & Light
69. James and Grace Lee Boggs Center to Nurture Community Leadership
70. Jewish Climate Action Network NYC
71. Jewish Climate Action Network-MA
72. Kentuckians For The Commonwealth
73. Lady Freethinker
74. Live Fresh, Inc.
75. Long Beach 350
76. Long Island Progressive Coalition
77. Michigan Coalition for Human Rights
78. Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition
79. Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network
80. Milwaukee Water Commons
81. Mississippi Center for Justice
82. Montana Environmental Information Center
83. Mothers & Others for Clean Air
84. National Council of Gray Panthers Networks
85. NC Climate Justice Collective
86. NC WARN
87. Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Working Group (NESAWG)
88. Northern Jaguar Project
89. Northwest Atlantic Marine Alliance
90. Nuclear Information and Resource Service
91. One Voice
92. Open Buffalo
93. OVEC-Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition
94. Partnership for Southern Equity
95. People's Justice Council
96. Petty Propolis
97. Physicians for Social Responsibility, ARIZONA cHAPTER
98. Pierce Delahunt
99. Popular Resistance
100. Public Citizen
101. Public Lands Project
102. Rachel Carson Council
103. Raritan Headwaters Association

104. Resource Generation
105. Restaurant Opportunities Centers (ROC) United
106. Restore the Delta
107. Rogue Climate
108. Safe Climate Campaign
109. Santa Cruz Climate Action Network
110. Saving Our Sons & Sisters International (SOSSI)
111. Science for the People
112. Seneca Lake Guardian, a Waterkeeper Affiliate
113. Sierra Club
114. Snake River Alliance
115. Solar United Neighbors
116. Solstice Initiative
117. Soulardarity
118. Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
119. Southface Institute
120. SPLC Action Fund
121. Stand.earth
122. Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development
123. Sustainable Energy & Economy Network
124. SustainUS
125. Syracuse Cultural Workers
126. The Climate Center
127. The Democracy Collaborative
128. Turtle Island Restoration Network
129. U.S. Federation of Worker Cooperatives
130. Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth
131. Unitarian Universalist Service Committee
132. Vermont Yankee Decommissioning Alliance
133. WE ACT for Environmental Justice
134. Wellstone Democratic Renewal Club Oakland/Berkeley
135. WESPAC Foundation, Inc.
136. West Atlanta Watershed Alliance
137. West End Revitalization Association WERA
138. WildEarth Guardians
139. Womens' International Leagues for Peace and Freedom, Triangle Branch
140. Work for Me, DTE
141. Young Democrats of America Environmental Caucus

Attachment 1
Letter from 600 NGOs

March 19, 2020

Governor Larry Hogan, Chair
National Governors Association
444 North Capitol Street, Suite 267
Washington, DC 20001

Mr. Brandon Presley, President
**National Association of Regulatory Utility
Commissioners**
1101 Vermont Ave, Suite 200
Washington DC 20005

Mayor Bryan K. Barnett, President
United States Conference of Mayors
1620 Eye Street Northwest
Washington, DC 20006

Mr. Jim Matheson, CEO
National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
4301 Wilson Blvd., ET9-201
Arlington, VA 22203

Ms. Joy Ditto, President and CEO
American Public Power Association
2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202

Steve Schneider, President
Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies
1620 I Street, NW, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20006

**Re: URGENT ACTIONS TO ADDRESS ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY SHUT-OFFS AND ACCESS
ISSUES EXACERBATED BY THE CORONAVIRUS NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

Dear Governor Hogan of the National Governors Association, Mayor Barnett of the United States Conference of Mayors, Mr. Presley of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, Mr. Matheson of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Ms. Ditto of the American Public Power Association, and Mr. Schneider of the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies:

On behalf of our millions of members and supporters nationwide, we, the undersigned 577 organizations—including energy democracy and justice, environmental justice, utility justice, environmental, faith, labor, health advocate, consumer advocate, and legal educational organizations—write with deep concern about the impacts of the coronavirus national emergency on the access to electricity, water, and other basic utility services for millions of low-wealth households. The coronavirus pandemic is already resulting in the widespread loss of wages and jobs across the country and will disproportionately impact low-wealth households. As these losses impact the ability of families to pay for essential utility services, access to electricity and running water for handwashing are crucial to protect households and our communities from the spread of disease.

We request that your associations—and their member governors, mayors, utility regulators, and rural electric cooperative, public power and water utility boards—take steps to **implement a moratorium on all electricity and water utility shut-offs, waiver of all late-payment charges, and reinstitution of any services that have already been cut off due to nonpayment**. Further, while a moratorium provides a necessary temporary respite during this COVID-19 crisis, it does not tackle the systemic issues driving these all-too-common energy and water injustices across America. Therefore, we urge your associations to compel your members to **implement policies that both increase the deployment of and access to distributed clean energy systems and that establish percentage-of-income payment plans for water and other utility services**, which enhance the long-term energy and climate resilience for all low-wealth families, communities, and tribes across the country.

The global COVID-19 emergency has impacted and will continue to impact the economy—and in particular, will disproportionately harm low-wealth families, especially in communities of color and American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Everyday businesses and services are increasingly closing to safeguard the public health, with only one-third of the workforce able to work remotely, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. As a result, millions of low-wage jobs—including retail and restaurant service workers, security guards, nurse aides, education aides, and janitorial workers—are at risk of being reduced or lost over the course of this national emergency.

As Congress works on passing relief bills to assure enhanced unemployment benefits and paid sick leave for some Americans, it is essential that state and city governments and utility regulators and boards also act to prevent low-wealth families from facing the threat of losing their essential electricity and water during this turbulent period. Families should never be put in the impossible position where they must choose between getting care for the coronavirus or other illness and sustaining access to their power and water services.

Unfortunately, that is a trade-off that is commonly made across America, and the coronavirus emergency exacerbates and highlights the urgency of these issues. A national survey found that the average water utility disconnected 5 percent of households for nonpayment in 2016, affecting an estimated 15 million Americans.¹ Moreover, in recent years, hundreds of thousands of American families have been forced to discontinue their service because of their inability to pay electricity bills, as utilities continue to raise rates and fixed fees.² The consequences of poverty are literally fatal; without electricity access, lives have been lost due to extreme heat and cold, as well as disconnection from life-saving devices like respirators and medicines requiring refrigeration. Moreover, the climate emergency has exacerbated the country's extreme weather conditions—through unprecedented wild fires, heat waves, and increased frequency and intensity of storms—that necessitate a greater demand in electricity for survival and a basic standard of living, most especially in American Indian and Alaska Native and rural regions. That is why we request that your organizations take the following actions in this coronavirus emergency.

First, we request your associations call for an immediate moratorium on all electric and water utility shut-offs, waiver of late-payment charges, and reinstatement of disconnected service. Less than half of all state governments, including Connecticut, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, and Wisconsin, have ordered disconnection suspensions statewide on either electricity or water utilities and in some cases both. A handful of cities have followed suit. In addition, several investor-owned and public utility companies have voluntarily suspended service disconnections for nonpayment, including ConEdison, Dominion Energy, Duke Energy, Georgia Power, and Southern California Edison. However, many of the country's 3,300 private, public, and rural cooperative electric utilities have not suspended disconnections. Similarly, 100 municipal water providers have already issued orders prohibiting utility companies from shutting service off during the coronavirus emergency, but

¹ Food & Water Watch, *America's Secret Water Crisis*, October 2018, <https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/insight/americas-secret-water-crisis>.

² NAACP Environmental and Climate Justice Program, *Lights Out in the Cold: Reforming Utility Shut-Off Policies as if Human Rights Matter*, March 2017, <https://www.naacp.org/climate-justice-resources/lights-out-in-the-cold/>.

many have yet to.³ We ask you to urge your associations of governors, mayors, utility regulators, and rural electric cooperative and public power and water utility boards to immediately implement a blanket moratorium on electricity and water shut-offs, waiver of all late payment charges, and reinstitution of any disconnected services, as the proper response to the national emergency declared by President Trump last week.

Second, we request your associations call for systemic policies to prevent electricity and water shut-offs in the long-term by increasing the deployment of distributed clean energy systems for all low-wealth and other communities across the country. As detailed above, the immediate moratorium on utility shut-offs is a temporary band-aid for a far deeper energy and water justice crises facing low-wealth communities. In particular, the coronavirus outbreak has highlighted the reality that poverty, climate-induced weather events, and dependence on a centralized electric utility system that increases energy burdens on families to finance dirty energy plants is having fatal results. In addition to an immediate moratorium, we request an order addressing the deeper systemic issues that have led to the crisis of electricity shut-offs impacting the entire country. Specifically, we urge your members to commit to policies that transition communities to democratic and decentralized energy systems for a secure climate future—whereby low-wealth families are not beholden to utilities that continue to build more harmful and expensive fossil fuel plants and thwart efforts to establish cheap and clean distributed power systems. Distributed clean energy systems, especially rooftop and community solar, are vital to protecting families against these energy injustices. Community solar programs, for example, provide multiple community benefits in the form of energy cost savings, more predictable billing, local decision-making authority, and reliable jobs that pay family-sustaining wages and are unionized.⁴ Moreover, distributed energy systems, particularly in the form of micro-grids and solar plus storage, greatly enhance community, tribal and climate resilience. They provide resilient power when the grid is down or when centralized energy access is truncated, as is occurring in this epidemic, and can recover faster in severe climate-induced weather events, decreasing community dependence on centralized fossil power.⁵ Moreover, we urge your members to tackle our nation’s water affordability crisis head-on by establishing percentage-of-income payment plans for water, sewer and stormwater bills, with arrearage forgiveness for low-income households. In light of the coronavirus emergency, now is the time for your member governors, mayors, utility regulators and boards to tackle the greater systemic issues underlying the threat of electricity and water service cut-offs.

Thank you for your consideration of this important request.⁶

³ See Energy Policy Institute, *LIVE: Utilities that have and have not suspended disconnects amid COVID-19*, <https://www.energyandpolicy.org/utilities-disconnect-coronavirus/> (last updated March 18, 2020); Food & Water Watch, *Local/State Water Shutoff Moratoria Amidst Coronavirus* (last updated March 18, 2020), <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/153Ze6RRZ-ZZ9oVkaSErhVHGMv3Z4laQDs0GRO7UmYnQ/edit?usp=sharing>.

⁴ See J. Farrell, *Community Solar Power: Obstacles and Opportunities*, The New Rules Project (2010), <https://ilsr.org/wp-content/uploads/files/communitysolarpower2.pdf>.

⁵ See National Renewable Energy Laboratory, *Distributed Energy Planning for Climate Resilience* (2018), <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy18osti/71310.pdf>.

⁶ For any questions regarding this letter, please reach out to Jean Su at the Center for Biological Diversity (jsu@biologicaldiversity.org) and Chandra Farley at the Partnership for Southern Equity (cfarley@psequity.org).

Sincerely,

Jean Su
Director, Energy Justice Program
CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Andrew Hudson
Founder
198 METHODS

Michael Alden Peck
Executive Director & Co-founder
1WORKER1VOTE

Tamara Toles O’Laughlin
North America Director
350.ORG

Tom Thrasher
Director
350 ATLANTA

Patricia Hine
President
350 EUGENE

Pamela Kepford
President
350 EVERETT

Julie Kimmel
Co-Chair
350 FAIRFAX

Meryl-Kay Greer-Domina
Co-Chair
350 KISHWAUKEE

Alice Stevens
Co-Founder
350 LONG BEACH

Natalie Pien
Chair
350 LOUDOUN

Ann Rosenkranz
Steering Committee
350 MARTHA'S VINEYARD ISLAND

Chandra Farley
Just Energy Director
PARTNERSHIP FOR SOUTHERN EQUITY

Scott Murray
Co-Chair, Public Policy Team
350 SAN DIEGO

Emily Williams
Steering Committee Member
350 SANTA BARBARA

Emily Johnston
Communications Coordinator
350 SEATTLE

Bradley Thompson
Board Member
350 TACOMA

Karen Bearden
Coordinator
350 TRIANGLE

Kari Aist
Representative of the Hub
350 VENTURA COUNTY

Lori Lawrence
Organizer
350 WICHITA

Bobby Vaughn Jr.
A CALL TO ACTIONS

Amy Boyd
Senior Attorney
ACADIA CENTER

Brittany Alston
Senior Researcher
**ACTION CENTER ON RACE
AND THE ECONOMY**

Brandon Wu
Director of Policy & Campaigns
ACTIONAID USA

Eric Amarante
Secretary and Board Member
ADELANTE

Winston Carroo
Director of International Programs
AGRICULTURAL MISSIONS, INC.

Robyn Hyden
Executive Director
ALABAMA ARISE

Cindy Lowry
Executive Director
ALABAMA RIVERS ALLIANCE

Delice Calcote
Acting Executive Director
ALASKA INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL

Veri di Suvero
Executive Director
ALASKA PIRG

Alex Barrio
Political Director
ALIANZA FOR PROGRESS

Rouwenna Altemose
Co-Executive Director
ALL IN ENERGY

Logan Burke
Executive Director
ALLIANCE FOR AFFORDABLE ENERGY

Maayan Cohen
Director of Partnerships and Campaigns
ALLIANCE FOR CLIMATE EDUCATION (ACE)

David Delk
President
**ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY –
PORTLAND, OREGON**

ROSE GARDNER
Co-Founder
**ALLIANCE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
STRATEGIES**

Leila Salazar-Lopez
Executive Director
AMAZON WATCH

Tina Smith
President
ANDERSON SMITH CONSULTING

Sarah Stewart
President
ANIMALS ARE SENTIENT BEINGS, INC.

Bill Plotkin
Director
ANIMAS VALLEY INSTITUTE

Jayeesha Dutta
Co-Founding Member/Artist
**ANOTHER GULF IS POSSIBLE
COLLABORATIVE**

Harriet Festing
Executive Director
ANTHROPOCENE ALLIANCE

Hilary Miles
Development Director
APPALACHIAN CITIZENS' LAW CENTER

Rory McIlmoil
Senior Energy Analyst
APPALACHIAN VOICES

Miya Yoshitani
Executive Director
ASIAN PACIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK

Heather Cantino
Steering Committee Chair
**ATHENS COUNTY'S FUTURE ACTION
NETWORK, ACFAN.ORG**

Bobbie Paul
Founding member
ATLANTA GRANDMOTHERS FOR PEACE

Dan Scheiman
Vice President
AUDUBON SOCIETY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS

Kiana Rivas
Board Member
BCC

Barbara Mills-Bria
President
BE THE CHANGE – COLORADO

Rev. Dr. Alan Bentz-Letts
Chair
**BELOVED EARTH COMMUNITY OF THE
RIVERSIDE CHURCH**

Emma Guttman-Slater
Policy Advocacy & Field Building Director
BENEFICIAL STATE FOUNDATION

Karen Feridun
Founder
BERKS GAS TRUTH

Craig Altemose
Executive Director
BETTER FUTURE PROJECT

Karen Feridun
Co-Founder
BETTER PATH COALITION

Ted Glick
Organizer
BEYOND EXTREME ENERGY

Kevin Kamps
Radioactive Waste Specialist
BEYOND NUCLEAR

Adam Flint
Director of Clean Energy Programs
**BINGHAMTON REGIONAL SUSTAINABILITY
COALITION**

Berkley Carnine
Collective member
BLACK MESA INDIGENOUS SOLIDARITY

Aliyah Jones
President
**BLACK POWER BOOK CLUB AT GEORGIA
STATE UNIVERSITY**

Andrea Johnson
Executive Director
BLOOM UPSTATE INC

Therese Vick
*NC Healthy, Sustainable Communities
Campaign Coordinator*
**BLUE RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE
LEAGUE**

John DeVillars
Chairman
BLUEWAVE SOLAR

Deborah Frieze
President
BOSTON IMPACT INITIATIVE

Karuna Jaggar
Executive Director
BREAST CANCER ACTION

Sharon Furlong
Spokesperson
BUCKS ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

Bhikkhu Bodhi
Chairperson
BUDDHIST GLOBAL RELIEF

Myra Crawford
Executive Director
CAHABA RIVERKEEPER

Jose G. Torres
Energy Equity Program Manager
**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
ALLIANCE**

Michelle Manos
Organizing Director
CALIFORNIA FOR PROGRESS

Michael Toner
Chapter Leader
CALL TO ACTION

Yanna Lambrinidou
Founder
CAMPAIGN FOR LEAD FREE WATER

Morgan Simon
Founding Partner
CANDIDE GROUP

Jennifer Wexler
President
**CANTON RESIDENTS FOR A SUSTAINABLE,
EQUITABLE FUTURE**

Mark Gabriele
Organizer
**CAPE COD COALITION FOR SAFE
COMMUNITIES**

Edye Nesmith
Executive Director
CAPE COD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES. INC.

Cole Silva
Co-Chair
**CAPE COD DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF
AMERICA**

Marc Dreyfous
Manager
CAROLINA BIODIESEL, LLC

Marie Venner
Coordinator
CATHOLIC NETWORK US

Chris Spahr
Executive Director
CENTENNIAL PARKSIDE CDC

Edward Maibach
Director
**CENTER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE
COMMUNICATION,
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

Libbie Cohn
Manager of Communications
CENTER FOR ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY

Rev. Dr. Douglas Hunt
Director
CENTER FOR FAITH ACTION

Carroll Muffett
President & CEO
**CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL
ENVIRONMENTAL LAW**

Robert Dean
CEO
CENTER FOR NEIGHBORHOOD TECHNOLOGY

Catherine Flowers
Founder
**CENTER FOR RURAL ENTERPRISE AND
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

Bernice Shaw
Co-Director
CENTER FOR STORY-BASED STRATEGY

Garry Harris
Managing Director
CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Daphne Wysham
Director
CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY

Ingrid Brostrom
Assistant Director
**CENTER ON RACE, POVERTY & THE
ENVIRONMENT**

Kevin Hamilton
CEO
**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ASTHMA
COLLABORATIVE**

Maricela Morales
Executive Director
**CENTRAL COAST ALLIANCE UNITED FOR A
SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY**

Dorothy Ji
Member
**CENTRAL JERSEY COALITION AGAINST
ENDLESS WAR**

Lisabeth Ryder
Co-Chair
CERBAT

Ryan Martel
Senior Director - Federal Policy
CERES

Gwendylon Smith
Program Officer
CHARRS

Denise Robbins
Communications Director
CHESAPEAKE CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

Allen Johnson
Coordinator
CHRISTIANS FOR THE MOUNTAINS

Mary Smith
Communications Director
**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN
NEW YORK STATE**

Rev. Cass Charrette
President
CITIES OF PEACE DETROIT

Kerwin Olson
Executive Director
CITIZENS ACTION COALITION OF IN

Paul Ferrazzi
Executive Director
**CITIZENS COALITION FOR
A SAFE COMMUNITY**

Carin High
Co-Chair
**CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO
COMPLETE THE REFUGE**

Jessica Clegg
Coordinator
CITIZENS FOR LOCAL POWER

Laura Olah
Executive Director
CITIZENS FOR SAFE WATER AROUND BADGER

Tom Content
Executive Director
CITIZENS UTILITY BOARD OF WISCONSIN

Barbara Warren, RN, MS
Executive Director
CITIZENS' ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION

Jessie Collins
Co-Chair
**CITIZENS' RESISTANCE AT FERMI 2
(CRAFT)**

Abel Vale
President
CIUDADANOS DEL KARSO

Ariana Nicholson
Member
CLARK CLIMATE JUSTICE

Joseph Minott
Executive Director and Chief Counsel
CLEAN AIR COUNCIL

Sandy Stanley
President
CLEAN AIR MUSCATINE

Leslie Glustrom
Board Representative
CLEAN ENERGY ACTION

Dulce Ortiz
Co-Chair
CLEAN POWER LAKE COUNTY

Lynn Thorp
National Campaigns Director
CLEAN WATER ACTION

Hope Taylor
Executive Director
CLEAN WATER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Jennifer Stevenson Zepeda
Director of Research & Operations
CLIMABLE

Dorothy Barnett
Executive Director
CLIMATE + ENERGY PROJECT

Todd Fernandez
Executive Director
CLIMATE CRISIS POLICY

Alice Cherry
Co-Founder and Staff Attorney
CLIMATE DEFENSE PROJECT

RL Miller
President
CLIMATE HAWKS VOTE

Anthony Rogers-Wright
Policy Coordinator
CLIMATE JUSTICE ALLIANCE

Rebecca Harris
Organizing Director
CLIMATE MOBILIZATION PROJECT

Kristen Barker
Executive Director
CO-OP CINCY

Ernesto Cruz
Director of Community Organizing
CO-OP POWER

Diane Weckerle
Co-Chair
**COALITION TO OPPOSE
THE EXPANSION OF US ECOLOGY**

Jodie Evans
Co-founder
CODEPINK

Rachel Bruhnke
Coordinator
CODEPINK SAN PEDRO

Rachel Scott
Associate Director
COLLABORATIVE CENTER FOR JUSTICE

Taylor Altenbern
Associate Director
COMMITTEE TO BRIDGE THE GAP

Elaine Cimino
Director
COMMON GROUND COMMUNITY TRUST

Bahram Fazeli
Policy Director
COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT

Rev. Peggy Clarke
Senior Minister
COMMUNITY CHURCH OF NEW YORK (UU)

Sigrid Wright
CEO
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Veronica Flores
Chief Executive Officer
COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS

Katrina Logan
Director, Economic Advancement Program
**COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES IN
EAST PALO ALTO**

Nickie Sekera
Co-Founder
COMMUNITY WATER JUSTICE

Carmi Orenstein
Co-Founder
**CONCERNED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS
OF NEW YORK**

Liza Tucker
Consumer Advocate
CONSUMER WATCHDOG

Dee Lawrence
Director
COOL EFFECT

Jasmine Jacobs
Communications & Development Specialist
COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Timothy DenHerder-Thomas
General Manager
COOPERATIVE ENERGY FUTURES

Sriram Madhusoodanan
Deputy Campaigns Director
CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY

Ray Rogers
Director
CORPORATE CAMPAIGN, INC.

John Meyer
Executive Director
**COTTONWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
CENTER**

Maude Barlow
Chairperson
**COUNCIL OF CANADIANS AND THE BLUE
PLANET PROJECT**

Michel Lee
Chairman
**COUNCIL ON INTELLIGENT ENERGY &
CONSERVATION POLICY (CIECP)**

Raquel Parra
Policy Manager
COURAGE CALIFORNIA

Christi Electris
Fellow
CROATAN INSTITUTE

Sharon Coleman
Director
**CT COALITION FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

Erik Hatlestad
Energy Democracy Program Director
**CURE (CLEAN UP THE RIVER
ENVIRONMENT)**

Chris Weiss
Executive Director
DC ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK

Mike Bucci
Projects Coordinator
DEEP GREEN RESISTANCE NEW YORK CITY

Beverly Wright
Executive Director
**DEEP SOUTH CENTER FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

Rodney McKenzie, Jr.
Executive Vice President, Movement Strategies
DÉMOS

Gracie Brett
Campus Organizer
DIVEST ED

Ben Hauck
Political Director
DIVEST LA

Danna Smith
Executive Director
DOGWOOD ALLIANCE

Scott Meyer
President
DON'T WASTE ARIZONA

Bobby Jones
President
**DOWN EAST COAL ASH
ENVIRONMENTAL AND
SOCIAL JUSTICE COALITION**

Anne D. Burt
Creator & Coordinator
DOWN TO EARTH STORYTELLING

Marie McRae
Organizer
DRYDEN RESOURCE AWARENESS COALITION

Rev. Majadi Baruti
Community Engagement Director
DYNAMITE HILL-SMITHFIELD CLT

Helen Rose
Faith Outreach Coordinator
EARTH DAY NETWORK

Mary Gutierrez
Executive Director
EARTH ETHICS, INC.

Rena Meyers-Dahlkamp
Adult Coordinator
EARTH GUARDIANS BAY AREA CREW

Madeline Reamy
Executive Director
EARTHSHARE GEORGIA

Russell Hicks
CEO
EBONY SUNS ENTREPRISES, LLC

Peter Sawtell
Executive Director
ECO-JUSTICE MINISTRIES

Charles Greenlea
Director
ECO-PARADIGM

Tom Athanasiou
Executive Director
ECOEQUITY

Mary Beth Brangan
President
ECOLOGICAL OPTIONS NETWORK

Kathryn Savoie
Detroit Community Health Director
ECOLOGY CENTER

Michael Wade
Convener
ECONOMIC JUSTICE ACTION GROUP

Justin Schott
Executive Director
ECOWORKS

Jacqueline Montesdeoca
Senior Manager
ELEVATE ENERGY

Denise Fairchild
President & CEO
EMERALD CITIES COLLABORATIVE

Jonathon Hutto
Community Organizer
EMPOWER DC

Daniel Tait
Chief Operating Officer
ENERGY ALABAMA

Jennifer Somers
Program Director, Energy Efficiency for All
ENERGY FOUNDATION

Dr. Abayomi Noibi
Executive Director
**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY ACTION
(ECO-ACTION)**

Natalie Barefoot
Director
**ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CLINIC,
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW**

Ken Cook
President and Co-Founder
ENVIRONMENTAL WORKING GROUP

Keely Wood
Co-organizer
ENVIRONMENTALEE

Nancy Halpern-Ibrahim
Executive Director
**ESPERANZA COMMUNITY HOUSING
CORPORATION**

Dana Geffner
Executive Director
FAIR WORLD PROJECT

Philip Wight
Renewable Energy Campaigner
FAIRBANKS CLIMATE ACTION COALITION

Brian Sauder
President and Executive Director
FAITH IN PLACE ACTION FUND

Rev. Nathan Empsall
Campaigns Director
FAITHFUL AMERICA

John Peck
Executive Director
FAMILY FARM DEFENDERS

Rev. Connie Yost
President
FARM WORKER MINISTRY NORTHWEST

Cathy Cleary
Co-Founder
FEAST

Nayyirah Shariff
Director
FLINT RISING

Mary Grant
Public Water for All Campaign Director
FOOD & WATER WATCH

Alex Easdale
Managing Principal
FORGING ALLIANCES, INC.

Harvey Baker
President
FOUNDATION FOR INTENTIONAL COMMUNITY

Brook Lenker
Executive Director
FRACTRACKER ALLIANCE

Jason Miller
Director of Campaigns
FRANCISCAN ACTION NETWORK

David Greenberg
Co-Chair
**FRANKLIN COUNTY CONTINUING THE
POLITICAL REVOLUTION**

Heidi Dhivya Berthoud
Secretary
FRIENDS OF BUCKINGHAM

Douglas Wellman
President
FRIENDS OF NELSON COUNTY

Lukas Ross
Senior Policy Analyst
FRIENDS OF THE EARTH

Kieran Suckling
Founder and Executive Director
FRIENDS OF THE OWLS

Dorinda Moreno
Founder, Principal
FUERZA MUNDIAL

Marnie Thompson
Co-Managing Director
FUND FOR DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITIES

Marcos Vargas
Executive Director
FUND FOR SANTA BARBARA

Marnie Gaede
President
FUND FOR WILD NATURE

Daniel Gonzalez
Lead Organizer
FUTURE LEADERS OF AMERICA

Denise Patel
U.S./Canada Regional Coordinator
GAIA

Jennie Curtis
Executive Director
GARFIELD FOUNDATION

Yvonne Taylor
Vice President
GAS FREE SENECA

Michael Hansen
Executive Director
GASP

Miriam MacGillis
Director
GENESIS FARM

Camilo Viveiros
Executive Director
GEORGE WILEY CENTER

Helen Butler
Executive Director
**GEORGIA COALITION FOR THE PEOPLES
AGENDA**

Rev. Coakley Pendergrass
Executive Director
GEORGIA COMMUNITY COALITION

Brionté McCorkle
Executive Director
GEORGIA CONSERVATION VOTERS

Deborah Scott
Executive Director
GEORGIA STAND-UP

Lindsay Harper
Executive Director
GEORGIA WAND EDUCATION FUND

Berneta Haynes
Senior Director of Policy and Access
GEORGIA WATCH

Tonya Graham
Executive Director
GEOS INSTITUTE

Theresa Church
GE Trees Campaigner
GLOBAL JUSTICE ECOLOGY PROJECT

Neva Goodwin
Co-Director
**GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT AND
ENVIRONMENT INSTITUTE**

Steven Pulliam
Riverkeeper
GOOD STEWARDS OF ROCKINGHAM

Jaron Browne
Organizing Director
GRASSROOTS GLOBAL JUSTICE

Fred Akers
Administrator
**GREAT EGG HARBOR WATERSHED
ASSOCIATION**

Gloria Rivera IHM
Coordinator
GREAT LAKES BIONEERS DETROIT

Tanya Keefe
Chairpoerson
GREAT LAKES ENVIRONMENTAL ALLIANCE

Shelley Silbert
Executive Director
GREAT OLD BROADS FOR WILDERNESS

Andreanecia Morris
President/Chair
**GREATER NEW ORLEANS HOUSING
ALLIANCE (GNOHA)**

Fran Teplitz
Executive Co-director
GREEN AMERICA

Melissa Powers
Faculty Director
**GREEN ENERGY INSTITUTE AT
LEWIS & CLARK LAW SCHOOL**

Shannon Baker-Branstetter
Senior Policy Manager
GREEN FOR ALL

Eileen Coles
Founder
GREEN GLEN COVE

Wendy Brawer
Director
GREEN MAP SYSTEM

Brad Johnson
Founder
GREEN NEW DEALERS

Mike Carberry
Director
GREEN STATE SOLUTIONS

Amy Brooks
Organizer
GREENFAITH

Charlie Cray
Political and Business Strategist
GREENPEACE US

David Schreiber
Investment advisor representative
GREENVEST

Steve Campbell
*Policy & Business Development
Project Manager*
GRID ALTERNATIVES

L. Michelle Moore
CEO
GROUNDSWELL

Jim Lively
Director of Program Strategy
**GROUNDWORK CENTER FOR
RESILIENT COMMUNITIES**

Dr. Mildred McClain
Executive Director
**HARAMBEE HOUSE/
CITIZENS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

Emily Benfer
Co-Principal
HEALTH JUSTICE INNOVATIONS, LLC

Bob DiBenedetto
President & Executive Director
HEALTHY PLANET

Peggy Maze Johnson
Board Member
HEART OF AMERICA NORTHWEST

April Peebler
Executive Director
HEIRS TO OUR OCEANS

Tim Lampkin
CEO
HIGHER PURPOSE CO

Ya-Sin Shabazz
Director of Programs
HIJRA HOUSE

Justin Vest
Executive Director
HOMETOWN ACTION

Jesse Kharbanda
Executive Director
HOOSIER ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Andreanecia Morris
CEO & President
HOUSINGLOUISIANA

Ruth White
Advocacy Lead
**HOWARD COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION,
MARYLAND**

Isabella Zizi
Member
IDLE NO MORE SF BAY

Tonyisha Harris
Illinois Clean Jobs Coalition Administrator
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Jeremy Mohler
Communications Director
IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

Shiney Varghese
Senior Policy Analyst
**INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURE AND TRADE
POLICY, USA**

John Farrell
Co-Director
INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL SELF-RELIANCE

Basav Sen
Director
INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES

Nadira Narine
Senior Program Director
**INTERFAITH CENTER ON CORPORATE
RESPONSIBILITY**

Marybeth Lorbiecki
Program Director
INTERFAITH OCEANS

Susan Hendershot
President
INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT

Michael Malcom
Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
ALABAMA**

Teresa Eichel
Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
CONNECTICUT**

Dori Chandler
Public Policy Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
HOOSIER**

Matt Russell
Executive Director
**INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT,
IOWA**

William Schroeder
Member, Executive Committee
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
MASSACHUSETTS**

Will Wright
Board Member
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
MONTANA**

Glenn Jacob
Executive Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
NEW YORK**

Susannah Tuttle
Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
NORTH CAROLINA**

Dallas Conyers
Program Coordinator
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
SOUTH CAROLINA**

Kendyl Crawford
Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
VIRGINIA**

LeeAnne Beres
Executive Director
**INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT,
WASHINGTON**

Mark J Palmer
Associate Director
**INTERNATIONAL MARINE MAMMAL PROJECT
OF EARTH ISLAND INSTITUTE**

Adam Mason
State Policy Director
**IOWA CITIZENS FOR COMMUNITY
IMPROVEMENT**

Mirele Goldsmith
Co-Chairperson
**JEWISH CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK
DC/MD/VA**

Joan Wesley
President/CEO
JMWCONSULTING

Anthony Giancattarino
Director/Fellow
**JUST COMMUNITY ENERGY
TRANSITION PROJECT**

Pat Prunty
Member
**JUSTICE COMMISSION,
PRESENTATION SRS ABERDEEN 'SD**

Shailly Barnes
Policy Director
**KAIROS CENTER FOR RELIGIONS,
RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

Cassia Herron
Chairperson
KENTUCKIANS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH

Lane Boldman
Executive Director
KENTUCKY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Alexandra Suh
Executive Director
KIWA (KOREATOWN IMMIGRANT WORKERS ALLIANCE)

David Levitus
Executive Director
LA FORWARD

Joseph Uehlein
President
LABOR NETWORK FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Nina Jackel
President
LADY FREETHINKER

Adriana Garcia
Co-Founder
LATINXHIKERS

Alicia Scott
Executive Director
LAUNCHPAD2X USA

Shanda-Joy Laws
Founder & CEO
LIVE FRESH

Jessica Guadalupe Tovar
Energy Democracy Organizer
LOCAL CLEAN ENERGY ALLIANCE

Sean Keller
Member
LOCAL FUTURES

Lisa Tyson
Director
LONG ISLAND PROGRESSIVE COALITION

John Yi
Executive Director
LOS ANGELES WALKS

Betsy Smith
Coordinating Committee Member
LOWER CAPE INDIVISIBLE

Heather Fenyk
President
LOWER RARITAN WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

John Brautigam
Director
MAINE POWER FOR MAINE PEOPLE

Mari Inoue
Member
MANHATTAN PROJECT FOR A NUCLEAR FREE WORLD

Tony Langbehn
Convenor
MARYLAND UNITED FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

Glen Ayers
President
MASS FOREST RESCUE

Diane Picard
Executive Director
MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE PROJECT

Tracy Rosenberg
Executive Director
MEDIA ALLIANCE

Nancy Lorence
Coordinating team member
METRO NY CATHOLIC CLIMATE MOVEMENT

Will Jordan
Executive Director
METROPOLITAN EQUAL HOUSING & OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL

Peggy Case
President
MICHIGAN CITIZENS FOR WATER CONSERVATION

Kate Madigan
Director
MICHIGAN CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

Kimberly Redigan
Vice Chair
MICHIGAN COALITION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Charlotte Jameson
*Program Director for Legislative Affairs,
Energy, and Drinking Water*
MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Dawn Kettinger
*Associate Executive Director of
Communications and Public Affairs*
MICHIGAN NURSES ASSOCIATION

Evette Mungerbey
Case Manager
MICHIGAN WELFARE RIGHTS

Cheryl Nenn
Riverkeeper
MILWAUKEE RIVERKEEPER

Elizabeth Glidden
Director of Strategic Initiatives and Policy
MINNESOTA HOUSING PARTNERSHIP

Deb Castellana
Director of Strategic Partnerships
MISSION BLUE

Beth Orlansky
Advocacy Director
MISSISSIPPI CENTER FOR JUSTICE

Genevieve Flores-Haro
Associate Director
**MIXTECO/INDIGENA COMMUNITY
ORGANIZING PROJECT**

Brian Fadie
Clean Energy Program Director
**MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL
INFORMATION CENTER**

Jenna Yellowhorse
Project Coordinator
MONUMENT VALLEY BEE PROJECT

Veronica Butcher
Executive Director
MOTHERS & OTHERS FOR CLEAN AIR

Ellen van Bever
National Leadership Team
MOTHERS OUT FRONT

Kylon Middleton
Pastor
MOUNT ZION AME CHURCH

Rachel Norton
Energy Specialist
**MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION FOR
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Michelle Mascarenhas
Co-Director
MOVEMENT GENERATION

Shannon Biggs
Director
MOVEMENT RIGHTS

Susan Gordon
Coordinator
**MULTICULTURAL ALLIANCE FOR A SAFE
ENVIRONMENT**

Kimberly Gutzler
Co-Founder and President
NATIONAL CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN

Kathryn Maddux
Project Director - Energy Partnerships
**NATIONAL COMMUNITY ACTION
PARTNERSHIP**

Randy Block
Chairperson
**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF GRAY PANTHERS
NETWORKS**

Jordan Treakle
Policy Director
NATIONAL FAMILY FARM COALITION

Eric Tars
Legal Director
**NATIONAL LAW CENTER ON HOMELESSNESS
& POVERTY**

Jennifer Ferrigno
Interim Co-Director
**NATIONAL NETWORK FOR IMMIGRANT &
REFUGEE RIGHTS**

Vina Colley
Co-Founder
NATIONAL NUCLEAR WORKERS FOR JUSTICE

Fred Krueger
Executive Coordinator
**NATIONAL RELIGIOUS COALITION
ON CREATION CARE**

Ian Zabarte
Secretary
NATIVE COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

DeeVon Quirolo
President
NATURE COAST CONSERVATION, INC.

Fr. Ken Campbell
President
**NAUSET INTERFAITH ASSOCIATION,
CAPE COD**

Jodi Lasseter
Founder & Co-Convener
NC CLIMATE JUSTICE COLLECTIVE

Jennifer Copeland
Executive Director
NC COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Jim Warren
Executive Director
NC WARN

Tracy Lerman
Executive Director
NESAWG

Judy Treichel
Executive Director
NEVADA NUCLEAR WASTE TASK FORCE

Shavaun Evans
Co-Director
NEW ECONOMY COALITION

Mariel Nanasi
President & Executive Director
NEW ENERGY ECONOMY

Matt Shapiro
President
NEW JERSEY TENANTS ORGANIZATION

Megan Offner
Owner
NEW YORK HEARTWOODS

Hridesh Singh
Executive Director
NEW YORK YOUTH CLIMATE LEADERS

Brenda Smith
Executive Director
NINE MILE RUN WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Carol Gay
President
NJ STATE INDUSTRIAL UNION COUNCIL

Jerry Rivers
Environmental Scientist
**NORTH AMERICAN CLIMATE,
CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT
(NACCE)**

Bronwyn Walls
Director of Community Engagement
**NORTH AMERICAN STUDENTS OF
COOPERATION**

Lea Foushee
Environmental Justice Director
NORTH AMERICAN WATER OFFICE

Madison Kempner
Policy Director
**NORTHEAST ORGANIC FARMING
ASSOCIATION OF VERMONT**

Diana Hadley
Co-President
NORTHERN JAGUAR PROJECT

Diane Scarangella
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY NOW

Rosanna Marie Neil
Policy Counsel
NORTHWEST ATLANTIC MARINE ALLIANCE

Nancy Loeb
Director, Environmental Advocacy Center
**NORTHWESTERN PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY CENTER**

David Kraft
Director
**NUCLEAR ENERGY INFORMATION SERVICE
(NEIS)**

Timothy Judson
Executive Director
**NUCLEAR INFORMATION AND RESOURCE
SERVICE**

Lonnie Clark
Owner
NUCLEAR REALITY CHECK

William Rossiter
Vice President
NY4WHALES

Iris Arno
Co-Chair, Environment Committee
NYCD16 INDIVISIBLE

Sally Jane Gellert
Member
OCCUPY BERGEN COUNTY

Courtney Vail
Director of Strategic Campaigns
OCEANIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Michael Stocker
Director
OCEN CONSERVATION RESEARCH

Terrence Moran
Director
**OFFICE OF PEACE, JUSTICE, AND
ECOLOGICAL INTEGRITY,
SISTERS OF CHARITY OF SAINT ELIZABETH**

Rebecca Concepcion Apostol
U.S. Program Director
OIL CHANGE INTERNATIONAL

Max Anderson
Deputy Director
OPEN BUFFALO

Bob Jenks
Executive Director
OREGON CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD

Liz Trojan
Oregon Progressive Party Council member
OREGON PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Kathleen McKinney
Board Chair
**OREGON UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
VOICES FOR JUSTICE**

Rabbi Katy Allen
President
JEWISH CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK - MA

M. Thandabantu Iverson
Member
**OUR VOICES, OUR SCHOOLS
(OVOS_DENVER)**

Vivian Stockman
Executive Director
**OHIO VALLEY
ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION
(OVEC)**

Craig Hart
Executive Director
PACE ENERGY AND CLIMATE CENTER

Aleta Alston Toure
Co-op member
**PARABLE OF THE SOER INTENTIONAL
COMMUNITY COOPERATIVE**

Laura Haight
US Policy Director
PARTNERSHIP FOR POLICY INTEGRITY

Diana Wright
Facilitator
**PAUSE - PEOPLE OF ALBANY UNITED FOR
SAFE ENERGY**

Emily Rubino
Director of Policy and Outreach
PEACE ACTION NEW YORK STATE

Paul Haible
Executive Director
PEACE DEVELOPMENT FUND

Judy Irving
Executive Director
PELICAN MEDIA

Courtney Hanson
Program Director
PEOPLE FOR COMMUNITY RECOVERY

Grayson Flood
Worker Owner
PEOPLE POWER SOLAR COOPERATIVE

Lyndon Greene
CEO
PEOPLE UNITED FOUNDATION

Michael Malcom
Founder/Executive Director
PEOPLE'S JUSTICE COUNCIL

Joy Blackwood
Director of DC Strategy
PEOPLE'S ACTION

Elandria Williams
Executive Director
PEOPLES HUB

Columbus Ward
President
PEOPLESTOWN REVITALIZATION CORP

Tawana Petty
Director
PETTY PROPOLIS

Jamila Medley
Executive Director
**PHILADELPHIA AREA
COOPERATIVE ALLIANCE**

Jeff Carter
Executive Director
PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Barbara Warren
Director
**PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY,
ARIZONA**

Martha Dina Arguello
Executive Director
**PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY,
LOS ANGELES**

Janet Azarovitz
Member Coordinating Committee
PILGRIM LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COALITION

Mary Lampert
Director
PILGRIM WATCH

Corey E. Olsen
CEO
PIPE ORGANS/GOLDEN PONDS FARM

Kevin Zeese
Co-Director
POPULAR RESISTANCE

Vina Colley
President
**PORTSMOUTH PIKETON RESIDENTS
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
SAFETY AND SECURITY**

Asher Miller
Executive Director
POST CARBON INSTITUTE

Donnie Maclurcan
Executive Director
POST GROWTH INSTITUTE

Nadya Dutchin
Co-Executive Director
POWER SHIFT NETWORK

Donna Pitt
Coordinator
PRESERVE GILES COUNTY

Roseanna Sacco
President
PRESERVE MONROE

Lynda Majors
Chair
PRESERVE MONTGOMERY COUNTY VA

Russell Greene
Senior Advisor, Strategy and Climate Policy
PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF AMERICA

Russell Chisholm
Co-chair
**PROTECT OUR WATER HERITAGE RIGHTS
(POWHR)**

David Arkush
Managing Director, Climate Program
PUBLIC CITIZEN

Susan Shapiro
Director
**PUBLIC HEALTH AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY
(PHASE)**

Debra Gardner
Legal Director
PUBLIC JUSTICE CENTER

Mike Hudak
Director
PUBLIC LANDS PROJECT

Katrina Peterson
Climate Justice Program Manager
PUGET SOUND SAGE

Harper Bishop
Deputy Director of Movement Building
PUSH BUFFALO

Leah Obias
Director of Policy and Strategy
RACE FORWARD

Bob Musil
President & CEO
RACHEL CARSON COUNCIL

Gail Payne
Founder
RADIATION TRUTH

Ginger Cassady
Executive Director
RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK

William Kibler
Director of Policy
RARITAN HEADWATERS

Jasmine Rashid
Director
REAL MONEY MOVES

Donna Chavis
Founder
REDTAILED HAWK COLLECTIVE

Michael Welch
Director
REDWOOD ALLIANCE

Fred Krueger
Executive Coordinator
**RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN FOR FOREST
CONSERVATION**

Heather Allen
Interim Executive Director
RENEW WISCONSIN

Gordian Raacke
Executive Director
RENEWABLE ENERGY LONG ISLAND (RELI)

Judy Diamondstone
Organizer
RENEWABLE ENERGY WORCESTER

Laura Ramnarace
Owner
RESOLUTIONS UNLIMITED

Madeleine Barr
VP of Outreach and Sales, Co-owner
RESONANT ENERGY

Yahya Alazrak
Campaign Director
RESOURCE GENERATION

Sass Linneken
Executive Director
**RESOURCES FOR ORGANIZING
AND SOCIAL CHANGE**

Anthony Advincula
*Public Affairs Officer
and National Policy Coordinator*
**RESTAURANT OPPORTUNITIES
CENTERS (ROC) UNITED**

Barbara Barrigan-Parrilla
Executive Director
RESTORE THE DELTA

Linda Starr
Co-leader
**RIO GRANDE VALLEY BROADBAND, GREAT
OLD BROADS FOR WILDERNESS**

Najari Smith
Executive Director
RICH CITY RIDES

Amelia Diehl
Lead Media Organizer
RISING TIDE CHICAGO

Hannah Sohl
Executive Director
ROGUE CLIMATE

Rhiana Gunn-Wright
Director, Climate Policy
ROOSEVELT INSTITUTE

David Swanson
Campaign Coordinator
ROOTSACTION.ORG

Rebecca Fisher-McGinty
Communications Lead
ROUND SKY SOLUTIONS

Ted Stiger
Sr. Director, Government Relations
**RURAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE
PARTNERSHIP**

Dan Becker
Director
SAFE CLIMATE CAMPAIGN

Russell Lowes
Research Director
SAFE ENERGY

Nancy Vann
President
**SAFE ENERGY RIGHTS GROUP
(SENRG)**

Kathleen Nolan
President, Board of Directors
SAMADHI CENTER INC.

Bart Ziegler
President
SAMUEL LAWRENCE FOUNDATION

Drew Feldmann
Conservation Chair
**SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY
AUDUBON SOCIETY**

Gary Headrick
Founder
SAN CLEMENTE GREEN

Jane Swanson
President
SAN LUIS OBISPO MOTHERS FOR PEACE

Kim Fraczek
Director
SANE ENERGY PROJECT

Grace Feldmann
Co-founder
**SANTA BARBARA STANDING ROCK
COALITION**

Pauline Seales
Organizer
SANTA CRUZ CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

Anthony Flaccavento
President
SCALE, INC

Sister Arlene Flaherty OP
JPIC Director
**SCHOOL SISTERS OF
NOTRE DAME ATLANTIC MIDWEST PROVINCE**

Gigi Wahba
Sales Manager
SCHUYLER COUNTY TIMES NEWSPAPER

Janet MacGillivray
Executive Director
SEEDING SOVEREIGNTY

Joseph Campbell
President
**SENECA LAKE GUARDIAN,
A WATERKEEPER AFFILIATE**

Ara Marderosian
Executive Director
SEQUOIA FORESTKEEPER®

Tabitha Tripp
Board Director
SHAWNEE SENTINELS

Everette Thompson
Campaign Manager
**SIDE WITH LOVE PROJECT OF THE
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION**

Dalal Aboulhosn
Deputy Legislative Director
SIERRA CLUB

Anana Harris Parris
Founder
SISTER CARE ALLIANCE

Margaret Conley
Director
**SISTER OF MERCY OF THE AMERICAS
JUSTICE TEAM**

Carol De Angelo
Director
SISTERS OF CHARITY OF NEW YORK

Marlene Perrotte
Sister
SISTERS OF MERCY

Ruth Geraets
Congregational Treasurer
SISTERS OF THE PRESENTATION

Holly Harris
Executive Director
SNAKE RIVER ALLIANCE

Daniel Aldana Cohen
Director
**SOCIO-SPATIAL CLIMATE
COLLABORATIVE, OR (SC)20**

Melody Zhang
Climate Justice Campaign Coordinator
SOJOURNERS

Khaled Elkurd
CEO
SOLAR SOLUTION

Anya Schoolman
Executive Director
SOLAR UNITED NEIGHBORS

Winslow Lewis
Program Associate
SOLSTICE INITIATIVE

Chuck Barlow Jr
Executive Director
**SOSSI- SAVING OUR SONS & SISTERS
INTERNATIONAL**

Jackson Koepfel
Executive Director
SOULARDARITY

Mazeda Uddin
Founder/ CEO
**SOUTH ASIAN FUND FOR EDUCATION,
SCHOLARSHIP AND TRAINING
(SAFEDT)**

Matthew Schwartz
Executive Director
SOUTH FLORIDA WILDLANDS ASSOCIATION

Jennifer Rennicks
Senior Director of Policy & Communications
SOUTHERN ALLIANCE FOR CLEAN ENERGY

Jillian Kysor
Staff Attorney
SOUTHERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER

Alex Trachtenberg
Senior Project Manager
SOUTHFACE INSTITUTE

Sheryl Brown
Program Director
**SOUTHWEST ATLANTA YOUNG
ENVIRONMENTALIST GROUP
(SAYEG)**

Shay Farley
Interim Deputy Policy Officer for the Southeast
SPLC ACTION FUND

Elizabeth Novak Milliken
President & CEO
SPOTTSWOODE WINERY, INC.

Matt Krogh
Campaign Director
STAND.EARTH

Ann League
Executive Director
**STATEWIDE ORGANIZING FOR COMMUNITY
EMPOWERMENT
(SOCM)**

Wynnie-Fred Hinds
Executive Director
STEPPING STONES RESOURCES, INC.

Rachel Lopez
Associate Professor of Law, Director
STERN COMMUNITY LAWYERING CLINIC

Nehemiah Stone
Principal
STONE ENERGY ASSOCIATES

Micheal Cromley
Member
**STRAITS AREA
CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR PEACE,
JUSTICE AND ENVIRONMENT**

John Philo
Executive Director
**SUGAR LAW CENTER FOR
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

Shoshana Wechsler
Coordinator
SUNFLOWER ALLIANCE

Lauren Maunus
Legislative Manager
SUNRISE MOVEMENT

Isabella Killius
Organizer/leader of Sunrise Knoxville Hub
SUNRISE MOVEMENT KNOXVILLE

Winter Sierra
Youth Outreach
SUNRISE MOVEMENT SANTA BARBARA

Gwendolynne Weissinger
Hub Coordinator
SUNRISE MOVEMENT WORCESTER

John Neville
President
SUSTAINABLE ARIZONA

Yassi Eskandari
Policy Director
SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIES LAW CENTER

Daphne Wysham
Director
**SUSTAINABLE ENERGY &
ECONOMY NETWORK**

Joylette Portlock
Executive Director
SUSTAINABLE PITTSBURGH

Flequer Vera
CEO
SUSTAINERGY COOPERATIVE

Rick Joye
Executive Director
SUSTAINING WAY

Gavi Reiter
NYC Delegation Leader
SUSTAINUS

Robert Perry
Principal Consultant
SYNERGISTIC SOLUTIONS

Andy Mager
*Sales Manager and
Social Movements Liaison*
SYRACUSE CULTURAL WORKERS

Nafis Hasan
Member, Organizing Committee
**TAKE BACK THE GRID,
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF AMERICA, -
BOSTON CHAPTER**

P. Qasimah Boston
President Board of Directors
TALLAHASSEE FOOD NETWORK

Brianna Knisley
Convener
**TENNESSEE VALLEY ENERGY
DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT**

Andrew Stachiw
Worker-Owner
TESA COLLECTIVE

Robin Schneider
Executive Director
**TEXAS CAMPAIGN
FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**

Bee Moorhead
Executive director
TEXAS IMPACT

Karen Miller
Executive Director
TEXAS LEGAL SERVICES CENTER

Chanchanit Martorell
Executive Director
THAI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Polly Carr
Executive Director
THE ALASKA CENTER

Dianne Valentin
Founder & CEO
**THE BLACK HERITAGE MUSEUM &
CULTURAL CENTER, INC.**

Yoca Ardit-Rocha
Executive Director
THE CLEO INSTITUTE

Ann Hancock
Co-Founder and Chief Strategist
THE CLIMATE CENTER

Julianne Watson
Board Member
**THE CLIMATE MOBILIZATION:
HOBOKEN CHAPTER**

Miranda Massie
Director
THE CLIMATE MUSEUM

Johanna Bozuwa
Co-Manager, Climate & Energy Program
THE DEMOCRACY COLLABORATIVE

Don Ogden
Producer/Co-host
THE ENVIRO SHOW

Stephanie Franklin
President & CEO
THE FRANKLIN LAW GROUP, P.C.

Beka Economopoulos
Executive Director
THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

Rabbi Arthur Waskow
Executive Director
THE SHALOM CENTER

Sarah Shanley Hope
Executive Director
THE SOLUTIONS PROJECT

Kevin Cawley
Executive Director
**THOMAS BERRY FORUM
FOR ECOLOGICAL DIALOGUE
AT IONA COLLEGE**

Claire Scott
Board member
TOGETHER COLORADO

Alexis Luckey
Executive Director
TOXIC FREE NC

Claire Miller
Climate Justice Director
TOXICS ACTION CENTER

Odetta MacLeish-White
Managing Director
TRANSFORMATION ALLIANCE

Patricia Hynes
Director
TRAPROCK CENTER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

Annalisa Tuel
Policy & Advocacy Manager
TURTLE ISLAND RESTORATION NETWORK

Esteban Kelly
Executive Director
**U.S. FEDERATION OF WORKER
COOPERATIVES**

Mary Wilson
Co-Founder
UBUNTU COMMUNITY CATALYST

Lorna Hill
Artistic Director, Founder
UJIMA COMPANY, INC.

Nedim Buyukmihci
President
UNEXPECTED WILDLIFE REFUGE

Orinio Opinaldo
Community Organizer
UNIDAD

Jamie Starr
Legislative Assistant
UNION FOR REFORM JUDAISM

Ken Kimmell
Executive Director
UNION OF CONCERNED SCIENTISTS

Susan Leslie
Congregational Advocacy and Witness Director
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION

Cynthia Davidson
Board Chair
**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST MINISTRY FOR
EARTH**

Kathleen McTigue
Director, Activism and Justice Education
**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SERVICE
COMMITTEE**

Mahtowin Munro
Co-Leader
**UNITED AMERICAN INDIANS OF NEW
ENGLAND UAINE**

Harriett Olson
General Secretary/CEO
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Brendan Adamczyk
Co-Director
**UNIVERSITY OF OREGON
CLIMATE JUSTICE LEAGUE**

Brooke Larsen
Director
UPLIFT

Elizabeth Yeampierre
Executive Director
UPROSE

Della Duncan
Producer
UPSTREAM PODCAST

Sarah Fields
Program Director
URANIUM WATCH

Isra Hirsi
Co-Founder & Partnerships Director
US YOUTH CLIMATE STRIKE

Jonny Vasic
Executive Director
**UTAH PHYSICIANS FOR A
HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT**

James Westwater
Chair, Utah Valley Earth Forum
UTAH VALLEY EARTH FORUM

Wes Ernsberger
Chair, Green Sanctuary Committee
**UU CONGREGATION OF BINGHAMTON,
GREEN SANCTUARY**

John Blair
President
VALLEY WATCH, INC.

Debra Stoleroff
Organizer
**VERMONT YANKEE DECOMMISSIONING
ALLIANCE**

Irene Leech
President
VIRGINIA CITIZENS CONSUMER COUNCIL

Jean Ross
Board President
VOTE CLIMATE

Nathan Phelps
Regulatory Director
VOTE SOLAR

Sarah Cornett
Climate Program & Advocacy Manager
**WASHINGTON PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY**

Jeff DeLuca
Executive Director
**WASHINGTON STATE COMMUNITY ACTION
PARTNERSHIP**

Randy Vonck
President
**WASHTENAW CALL TO ACTION OF
MICHIGAN**

Blair Nelsen
Executive Director
WATERSPIRIT

Kerene Tayloe
Director, Federal Legislative Affairs
**WE ACT FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**

Jake Schlachter
Executive Director
WE OWN IT

Monica Lewis-Patrick
CEO
WE THE PEOPLE OF DETROIT

Jack Kurzweil
Administrative Coordinator
**WELLSTONE DEMOCRATIC
RENEWAL CLUB**

Nada Khader
Executive Director
WESPAC FOUNDATION

Erica Holloman-Hill, Ph.D.
Program Manager
**WEST ATLANTA
WATERSHED ALLIANCE**

Linda Parks
Founding Member
**WEST DRYDEN RESIDENTS
AGAINST THE PIPELINE**

Omega & Brenda Wilson
Co-Founder
WEST END REVITALIZATION ASSOCIATION

Ted Boettner
Executive Director
**WEST VIRGINIA
CENTER ON BUDGET AND POLICY**

Erik Molvar
Executive Director
WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT

Helgaleena Healingline
Associate Director
WHITE RABBIT GROVE RDNA

Jeremy Nichols
Climate and Energy Program Director
WILDEARTH GUARDIANS

Andrew Johnson
Executive Director
WINNESHIEK ENERGY DISTRICT

Huda Alkaff
Founder and Director
WISCONSIN GREEN MUSLIMS

Michelle Naccarati-Chapkis
Executive Director
WOMEN FOR A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

Darien De Lu
President
**WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM US**

Randa Solick
Co-chair
**WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR
PEACE AND FREEDOM,
EARTH DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE**

Lib Hutchby
Co-Chair, Eco Committee
**WOMENS INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR
PEACE AND FREEDOM-TRIANGLE BRANCH**

Bridget Vial
Energy Democracy Organizer
WORK FOR ME, DTE

Fred Krueger
Board Director
WORLD STEWARDSHIP INSTITUTE

Igor Tregub
Chair
**YOUNG DEMOCRATS OF AMERICA
ENVIRONMENTAL CAUCUS**

Josue Martinez
Steering Committee Member
**YUCCA (YOUTH UNITED FOR CLIMATE
CRISIS ACTION)**

Attachment 2
Letter from 16 Senators

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March 20, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader, U.S. Senate
U.S. Capitol, S-230
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader, U.S. Senate
U.S. Capitol, S-221
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Leader McConnell and Leader Schumer,

In the midst of the public health and economic emergency caused by the COVID-19 crisis, we urge you to protect the most vulnerable Americans from the dangers and insecurity that result from utility shut-offs. As closures and quarantines disrupt and eliminate income for many American families, low-wealth communities and communities of color are particularly at risk of being disconnected by utilities due to lack of payment. As part of a third COVID-19 package, Congress must protect at risk Americans by instituting a nationwide moratorium on all electricity, water, telecommunications, broadband and other utility-shut offs and providing financial assistance for low-wealth households. A moratorium would provide temporary relief during this COVID-19 crisis, but more needs to be done to address the systemic issues driving these injustices across America.

The continuation of utility services is critical in this COVID-19 emergency. Low-wealth communities and communities of color, including black and Indigenous peoples, are being disproportionately harmed by this emergency. Low-wage jobs are at greatest risk of being reduced or lost during this crisis. Our most vulnerable elderly populations need electricity to run life-saving medical equipment, keep medications refrigerated, and keep their homes at liveable temperatures. As many Americans are working from, or quarantined in, their homes, it is essential that utility services continue uninterrupted. This is the only way to ensure people have access to clean water for handwashing and disinfecting surfaces to slow the outbreak. Access to electricity ensures that families can turn the lights on, have refrigerated food to eat, and continue a basic standard of living. Continuity of broadband access is necessary to ensure employees who can work from home continue to do so and that children that are out of school can access educational resources online. Allowing people to be productive in their homes will facilitate the necessary social distancing required to mitigate the dire impacts of this pandemic.

It is admirable that some utilities have taken voluntary steps to prevent utility disconnections during this crisis and some states have taken orders. However, we need to recognize and reinforce these steps by requiring all utilities to provide robust protections to their customers and provide utilities support so they can do so. Both homeowners and businesses should be protected from utility disconnections. All utilities including electric, gas, water, telecommunications, and Internet Service Providers should be subject to the moratorium on shut-offs. In addition to preventing shut-offs, utility companies should be required to suspend late fees and all fees associated with reconnections indefinitely. Given the uncertainty in the length of the COVID-19

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

pandemic, we should keep these policies in place at least until the pandemic threat has passed and the country's economy has stabilized.

The COVID-19 outbreak has highlighted the systemic problem of energy insecurity in the United States and its impacts on low-wealth communities. As Congress enacts legislation to speed the economic recovery of our country, we need policies to permanently increase economic security for black, Indigenous and other People of Color. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) has called for the establishment of a universal right to uninterrupted energy service. The NAACP advocates for policies to prevent utility disconnection due to non-payment, including an end to power shut-offs during extreme temperatures, and for programs to help customers pay their bills and improve energy efficiency in their homes.¹ These circumstances are particularly exacerbated in light of the climate emergency and increased climate-induced weather events, including extreme heat waves and flooding, which necessitate the uninterrupted access to electricity and other utilities.

Legislation must also build infrastructure to support distributed renewable energy and provide incentives to expand broadband access in rural areas. Distributed energy systems decrease community dependence on dirty fossil fuels and provide resilient power during extreme climate related weather events. Now is the time for our country to take bold action to protect communities most at risk by promoting energy democracy for all communities.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Merkley
United States Senator

Tammy Duckworth
United States Senator

Cory A. Booker
United States Senator

Edward J. Markey
United States Senator

¹ https://www.naacp.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Lights-Out-in-the-Cold_NAACP-ECJP-4.pdf

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

Brian Schatz
United States Senator

Bernard Sanders
United States Senator

Mazie Hirono
United States Senator

Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator

Ron Wyden
United States Senator

Elizabeth Warren
United States Senator

Richard J. Durbin
United States Senator

Chris Van Hollen
United States Senator

Sheldon Whitehouse
United States Senator

Tom Carper
United States Senator

Richard Blumenthal
United States Senator

Kamala D. Harris
United States Senator