



MAINE BUSINESSES FOR CLIMATE ACTION

February 4, 2009

Dear Member of Maine's Congressional Delegation:

As business men and women in Maine, we call on you to help enact legislation this year that addresses the threat of global warming. We specifically urge that you make passage of a strong and effective climate security bill one of the top priorities for action in 2009.

Global warming could pose a very serious threat to Maine's economy, environment, and quality of life. The best scientific data suggest that global warming could cause significant sea-level rise along Maine's lengthy coastline, jeopardizing property, wildlife habitat, and infrastructure. Global warming also could result in more severe weather, increased smog and asthma, and significant harm to our natural resource-based economy.

Maine could considerably benefit as a result of well-designed climate legislation which focuses on major investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy development, resulting in jobs and reduced dependence on fossil fuels. Such initiatives are important for Maine's economy at a time of growing concern about energy costs.

Maine companies are already beginning to expand into the clean energy economy, building wind farms, manufacturing components for renewable energy systems, and helping insulate and weatherize homes and businesses. Clear policy direction from Washington is important to maximize investment in these growth industries.

We urge you to do all you can to ensure that the United States acts swiftly and effectively in 2009 to address the threat of global warming. Now is the time for leadership. Maine people are counting on you to help.

Sincerely,

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Androscoggin Wooden Boat Works

Chris Cushman, Owner
Wayne

Architect & Preservation Planner

Cynthia Howard, AIA
Biddeford Pool

Baldwin Ladder Company

Peter Baldwin, Proprieter
Brooks

Barba + Wheelock

Margaret Innes, LEED-AP
Portland

Barbara Sassaman, Architectural Design

Barbara Sassaman, President
Bar Harbor

Barkwheats Dog Biscuits

Chris Roberts, Owner
Stockton Springs

Beaver Cove Art

Jim and Sheila Glavine, Owners & Photographers
Greenville

Belfast Dance Studio

Lisa Newcomb, Director
Belfast

Black & White Image

Joe Muir, Owner
Portland

Bold Herizons, Inc.

Joan Ray and Deiter Weber, Owners
Nobleboro

Caldbeck Gallery

Cynthia Hyde and Jim Kinnealey, Owners
Rockland

Call of the Wild Consulting and Environmental Services

C. Diane Boretos, Owner & Senior Biologist
Sangerville

CIMPAC Inc.

Len Clarke, President
Port Clyde

Coastside Bio Resources

Peter Collin, President
Stonington

Colonial Cinema

Mike Hurley, Co-owner
Belfast

Community Energy Partners

Sue Jones, President
Freeport

Compass Light Outdoor Film and Television Production

David Conover, Owner
Camden

CPRC Group LLC

John Adelman, President & CEO
Scarborough

Cyr Cove Cabins

Mike Starr, Owner
St. Agatha

Discount Backhoe & Bulldozing

Terry Maschino, Owner
South Gardiner

East Brown Cow Management, Inc.

J. Tim Soley, President
Portland

Eliot Field Law Office

Eliot Field, Esq.
Wiscasset

Evergreen Home Performance

Richard Riegel Burbank, Owner
Rockland

F.W. Horch Sustainable Goods & Supplies

Fred Wilson Horch, Founder
Brunswick

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Fine Carpentry

Dale Buxton
Brunswick

Finishing Touches

Bettyann Sheats, Owner
Auburn

Fire n' Ice HVAC and Energy Auditing Services

John Johnson, Owner
Springvale

First Wind

Kurt Adams, Executive Vice President &
Chief Development Officer
Portland

Fleishman Engineering

Carol Fleishman, Owner
Scarborough

Florance Studio

Kathleen Florance, Owner
Glen Cove

Fore Solutions - Consultants for High Performance Green Buildings

Gunnar Hubbard, Principal
Portland

Fuller Brush Downeast

Roland Rhoades, President
Gorham

George B. Terrien, Architect

Rockland

Good Deeds

Margo Davis and Gusta Ronson, Owners
Belfast

Good Group Decisions

Craig Freshley, Director
Brunswick

Green Design Studio

Christopher Briley, Architect & LEED-AP
Yarmouth

Greg Patterson LCPC

Geg Patterson, Owner
Northfield

Greg Rossel Boat Carpentry

Greg Rossel, Owner
Troy

Gulf of Maine Custom Homes, Inc.

Robert Rupp and David Semon, Owners
Freeport

Hannaford Bros. Co.

Steve Culver, Vice President Government Relations
Scarborough

Harvest Fuels

George Haselton, Owner
Rockport

Holland and Foley Architecture

David Foley and Sarah Holland, Owners
Northport

John Hurley Painting Inc.

John Hurley, Owner
Belfast

Joy In Wood Furnituremakers

Richard Csenge, Owner
Topsham

Kane-Lewis Productions

Richard Kane, Owner
Sedgwick

L. M. Turner Real Estate

Loretta M. Turner, Owner
Biddeford

Lamey Wellehan

Jim Wellehan, Owner & CEO
Auburn

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Laughing Stock Farm

Lisa and Ralph Turner, Owners
Freeport

Lee Auto Malls

Adam Lee, President
Cumberland

Lyman Morse Boatbuilding

Ron Defoe, Environmental Health and Safety Manager
Thomaston

Maine Coast Sea Vegetables, Inc.

Shepard Erhart, Owner
Franklin

Maine Green Building Supply

Steven Konstantino, Owner
Portland

Mainely Pottery

Jeanette Faunce and Jamie Oates, Owners
Belfast

Maple Hill Farm Inn & Conference Center

Scott Cowger, Owner & Innkeeper
Hallowell

Margaret T. Jeffery, Attorney at Law

Margaret Jeffery, Esq.
Bar Harbor

Mattson Development

Kevin Mattson, President & CEO
Winthrop

Mechanical Services

Chris Green, President
Bangor, Augusta, Portland, and Easton

Merryman Property Management

Bruce Merryman, Owner
Harswell

Middle Jam Sessions Music School

David Daniels and Jodee Davidson, Owners
Standish

Mitchell Ledge Farm

Andre LeMaistre, Owner
Freeport

Mornington Crescent Sled Dogs

Andy Bartleet and Caroline Blair-Smith, Owners
& Registered Maine Guides
Albany TWP

Moss Inc.

Charles J. Corsentino, President & CEO
Belfast

Mother's Mountain Maine's Special Homemade Taste

Dennis Proctoc, Jr. and Carol Tanner Proctor, Owners
Falmouth

Mountain Street Pottery

Peter Jones, Owner
Camden

Naomi Mermin Consulting

Naomi Mermin, Principal
Portland

Natural Choices, LLC

Marina Schaufller, Owner
Camden

Natural Therapeutics

Juliana Plummer
Abbot

Northern Tilth

Andrew Carpenter, Owner
Belfast

Oakhurst Dairy

Stan Bennett, President & CEO
Portland

Oakleaf Studios

Bryan Wells
Old Town

Ocean Energy Institute

George B. Hart, Director
Rockland

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Old Quarry Ocean Adventures, Inc.

Capt. Bill Baker, Owner
Stonington

One Fifty Ate, Inc.

Josh Potocki, Owner & Chef
South Portland

Paint Design Unlimited

Joy Knight, Owner
Portland

PDB Ventures LLC

Peter Brown, Owner
Kennebunk

PDT Architects

Marilyn Leivian, Architect
Portland

Peacock Company Builders

Tobin Peacock, Owner
Lamoine

Photo Volt US

Don Carrico, CEO
York Beach

Pigment Art

Ernie DeRaps
Richmond

Pine Island Camp

Benjamin B. Swan, President
Brunswick

Portland Yoga Studio

Stephanie Abrams, Owner
Portland

Purist Energy LLC

Dana Fischer, CEO
Portland

Quarry House Antiques

Charlotte Hollenberg, Owner
Union

Railroad Square Cinema

Alan Sanborn, Manager
Waterville

Red Bird Acupuncture

Abi Morrison, Owner
Rockland

Reed & Reed, Inc.

Jackson A. Parker, President & CEO
Woolwich

ReVision Energy LLC

Bill Behrens, Co-director
Liberty and Portland

Rockport Mechanical

George Haselton, Owner
Rockport

Rose Acre Massage

Wendy Lessard
Ellsworth

Rykerson Architecture

Deane Rykerson, Owner & AIA
Kittery Point

Saddleback Maine

Warren C. Cook, CEO
Rangeley

Scholz & Barclay Architecture

Meg Barclay and John Scholz, Partners
Camden

Sewall House Yoga Retreat

Donna Davidge, Owner
Island Falls

Sewall Orchard

Mia Mantello and Robert Sewall, Owners
Lincolntonville

Shadow Distribution

Ken Eisen, President
Waterville

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Shot in the Dark Cave Photography

Peter Jones, Owner
Camden

Smash Inc.

Sian Evans, President
Belfast

Stahnke + Kitagawa Architects

Bruce Stahnke, Co-founder & Architect
Brooksville

The Green Store

Ellie Daniels, Owner
Belfast

The Picture Framer

John H. Noyes, Proprietor
Topsham

The Sunrise Guide

Heather Chandler, President & Founder
Westbrook

Up the Creek Canoe and Kayak Rentals

Joyce and Gil Marco, Owner
Phippsburg

Verso Paper

Craig Liska, Vice President
Jay and Bucksport

WarmTech Solutions, LLC

Ashley B. Richards, Jr., General Manager & Owner
Yarmouth

Word Exchange, Inc.

Susan Lowery
Harpwell

Wright-Ryan Construction, Inc.

John Ryan, President
Portland