

PETITION to the CONGRESS of the UNITED STATES

Step It Up Philly Rally - April 14, 2007

We, the people of United States of America, urge the US Congress to enact legislation to cut carbon emissions 80% by 2050 and eliminate subsidies for fossil and nuclear fuels. By signing this pledge, I am declaring that I will be a part of the solution. I hope that my actions send a message to Congress that Renewable Energy is the only solution for the welfare of our Country, our people and all things alive.

We, the people, petition Congress to assert leadership by immediately taking these actions:

1. Step back from expensive quick fixes such as resource wars and conversion of food into fuel.
2. Set comprehensive long term goals which fully address the concerns of our scientific community.
Pass the Sanders-Boxer-Waxman global warming bills. This is the only legislation which meets Step It Up, the fortune 500 U.S. Climate Action Partnership, NRDC, and the scientific community's goal to reduce CO₂ emissions 80% by 2050.
 Both houses must form permanent legislative Committees on Energy Independence and Global Warming to establish jurisdiction and precedence.
3. Make pollution cost real money. Sunset old energy Subsidies, transfer these subsidies and any carbon taxes to promote renewable energy sources.
4. Make and keep a long term commitment to develop domestic clean renewable energy.
5. Improve transportation energy efficiency using current technology.
Pass the Feinstein-Snowe automobile fuel economy bill raising the average fuel economy of cars and light trucks to 35 mpg by model year 2019.
Pass the Lautenberg-Lott passenger rail investment act to modernize intercity rail service.
6. Promote and underwrite financing for energy efficient building standards such as the Conference of Mayors / AIA 2030 Challenge.
7. Do not subsidize energy, water, and resource intensive agriculture and food production practices.

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