Dear Governors,

As businesses with headquarters and major operations throughout the nine states participating in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI), we urge you to continue to drive the region’s thriving, clean energy economy forward by supporting robust emissions goals post-2020. RGGI has proven to be highly effective in reducing electric sector greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and spurring innovation in clean energy technology throughout the Northeast and the Mid-Atlantic.1

Now is the time to redouble your commitment.

Our support for RGGI is firmly grounded in economic reality. Our companies have committed to reducing GHG emissions and increasing our use of renewable energy sources because it makes sense for our business. **We urge you to build on RGGI’s success by continuing to lower the emissions cap on the electricity sector, by 5 percent per year post-2020, because it is good for our economy.**

To date, RGGI has cut electricity-sector GHG emissions by 49% below 2005 levels and raised 2.5 billion dollars in revenue for use in a wide range of energy efficiency, clean energy, and GHG abatement programs, all while reducing electricity rates for consumers by an average of 2%.

Climate change poses a risk to our business, but it also presents an opportunity—and we applaud policymakers who rise to meet the challenge. RGGI has been successful, but in order to meet long-term state emissions reduction goals, it must do more. Continuing reductions beyond 2020 will provide certainty for companies to plan and invest for the future, make the region an attractive place to do business, and continue to lower electricity rates for consumers.

We applaud your leadership and we look forward to working with you to meet the challenge of climate risk together.

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Sincerely,

Amicus Green Building Center, LLC
Argyle Brewing Company, LLC
Arup
Autodesk
Bates Apartments
BCW Historic Properties Ltd.
Ben & Jerry’s Homemade, Inc.
Business Wisdom
Chandler LLC
Clif Bar & Company
Coppertoppe Inn & Retreat
Co-op Power
Cornerstone Tree Care
Diageo
EcoPlum
EILEEN FISHER, Inc.
Endosys, LLC
Ethical Electric
Gap Inc.
Gardeners Supply
Greenough
GREENPLAN Inc.
Green Rainbow Revolution, LLC
Hollender Sustainable Brands
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Impact Infrastructure, Inc.
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JLL
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Sphere-E
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Singlebrook  
**Staples, Inc.**  
**Stonyfield**  
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Sustainable Roundtable Inc.  
Sustainability Solutions LLC  
Swing Salon  
Tech Networks of Boston  
Tel-Affinity Corporation  
Terrapin Bright Green  
The Alchemist  
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**Thornton Tomasetti**  
**Thule**  
**Timberland**  
Transformpreneur.com  
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TripZero  
Tsoi/Kobus & Associates  
**Unilever**  
**VF Corporation**  
WeNeedaVacation.com, LLC  
Winston Eco-Strategies  
**Worthen Industries, Inc.**  
Zaurie Zimmerman Associates, Inc.

*Companies listed in **bold** have annual revenues of over $100M.*