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Company/Organization: Citizens Climate Lobby-NH

Type of organization: Nonprofit

Number of Employees: 0, 1000 volunteers

Category: Environment

Challenge or Opportunity: We face the challenge of a broken energy market: there are high external costs of using fossil fuels that are not included in their price. The problem with free climate pollution is that there is no economic incentive to reduce it. To address this in the most efficient, equitable way possible we need federal Carbon Fee and Dividend legislation.

Approach or Solution: CCL worked with leading climate scientists, economists, and politicians to create a bipartisan policy proposal that addresses the problem fairly, beneficially, and has global reach. The organization is now focused on helping individuals develop their personal and political powers as they work to create the political will to enable Congress to act.

Impact: Congress created the bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus in 2016 based on CCL volunteer efforts. Congress introduced the bipartisan Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019 based on the Carbon Fee and Dividend policy proposal. The bill, HR763, now has 59 cosponsors. CCL NH has over 1000 volunteers in seven chapters, and is growing rapidly.