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# The Climate Registry Members Only Meeting



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# Welcome!



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**Diane Wittenberg**  
**Executive Director**  
**The Climate Registry**

# Agenda

**1:00**      **Welcome**

Diane Wittenberg, Executive Director, The Climate Registry

**1:05**      **The Registry Today**

Gina McCarthy, Chair, The Climate Registry; Commissioner, Connecticut DEP

*Q&A*

**1:20**      **Regional Updates, The Climate Registry Executive Committee**

WCI:          Steve Owens, Director, AZ DEQ

BC:          Steve Anderson, Executive Director, BC Climate Action Secretariat

Midwest:    Doug Scott, Director, IL EPA

RGGI:        Gina McCarthy, Commissioner, CT DEP

*Q&A*

**1:50**      **Registry Updates**

Protocols & Mandatory Programs

Jill Gravender, VP, Policy

Member Services

Robyn Camp, VP, Programs

Ready for Growth

Diane Wittenberg, Executive Director

*Q&A*

**2:30**      **Close**



# Welcome

- Hello to all 185 of you on the call!
- First order of Business: Change of nomenclature
  - Board Members = **DIRECTORS**
  - Reporters = **MEMBERS**
    - Reflects our attitude of service to the leadership of those reporting their footprint to The Registry
    - Highlights your participation in a GHG community



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# The Registry Today



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**Gina McCarthy**  
**Chair, The Climate Registry**  
**Commissioner, CT Department of**  
**Environmental Protection**



# Welcome to all of You!

RioTinto



Ford Motor Company



nationalgrid



Kodak



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BENTLEY PRINCE STREET

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# The Registry Principles

- **Openness /Transparency/Collaboration**
- **States and Provinces use The Registry to formulate a consistent GHG long term reporting model across many venues**



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# The Registry Voluntary Program

The voluntary program is the platinum standard for GHG reporting

- Board Goal: encourage and protect early voluntary action
  - *Protocols are rigorous to insure protectable data*
- The Registry is nexus of government, business, NGO interaction
- Protocols consistent across sectors and borders



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# The Registry Support of Mandatory Programs

- The Board has prioritized support of mandatory programs
- Goals
  - Standardize data collection and quality
  - Centralize to ease cross-border reporting burden
  - Encourage voluntary reporting across N.A.
- Nevada program 1<sup>st</sup> pilot



# Federal Interface

- The Registry is named in all the recent federal bills as the basis for federal reporting
- The states and provinces are working with their respective federal agencies to make this a reality
- One major issue – 3<sup>rd</sup> party verification



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# Where do we go from here?

- Expanding Member Services
- Developing more Protocols
- Serving additional mandatory programs
- Underpinning federal programs

*Questions & Answers*



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# Update: WCI



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**Steve Owens**

**Director**

**Arizona Department of Environmental Quality**

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# Update: British Columbia



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**Steve Anderson**  
**Executive Director for Climate Change**  
**Climate Action Secretariat for British Columbia**

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# Update: Midwest



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**Douglas Scott**

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# Update: RGGI



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**Gina McCarthy**  
**Commissioner**

**Connecticut Dept of Environmental Protection**

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# Overview: Member Services



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# Support GHG Leadership

- **Technical support on building inventory and completing program milestones**
  - Online trainings
  - Help desk: [help@theclimater registry.org](mailto:help@theclimater registry.org)
- **Events for education and networking**
- **Web-based resources**
  - Tools, FAQs, Samples



# Training

Online webinars, offered regularly

1. Building an Inventory for The Climate Registry Reporting
2. Using CRIS
3. Developing an emissions reduction Plan (October 2008)

Register at

<http://www.theclimateregistry.org/calendar.html>

- Approved curriculum for in-person seminars available through training partners (Spring 2009)



# Education & Networking

- **Regional Forums on climate policy**
  - November 19-20: Boston, MA
  - January: Tampa, FL
  - February: Phoenix, AZ
  - March: Minneapolis, MN
  
- **Study trips**
  - Deeper investigation of key topics
    - The road to Copenhagen – looking beyond Kyoto
    - Technologies for a climate-friendly future



# Online Resources

## ■ Reporting Helps

- Train your Colleagues presentation
- Reference Library
- FAQs & tools
- Sample Inventory Management Plan (*January 2009*)

## ■ Verification Helps

- Standardized Contracts & RFP
- Representative Cost Information
- Bulletin Board (*Spring 2009*)

*... and much more!*



# State Agency Reporting Guidance

- Collection of reporting tips and tools specifically for state government
- Quarterly conference calls – sharing best practices, lessons learned
- Resources now online:
  - State agency Guide to Reporting Sources
  - Sample RFP
  - Contracting helps & FAQs



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# Update: Policy



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# Overview

- General Protocols
- Industry Specific Protocols
- Support of Mandatory GHG Reporting Programs
- Climate Registry Information System (CRIS) Enhancements



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# General Protocols

- **General Reporting Protocol (GRP) and General Verification Protocol (GVP)**
  - Policy Clarifications will be posted on the website
  - Reporting & verification deadlines waived for 2007 data
- **Verification**
  - First batch of Verification Bodies (VB) will be accredited in December, 2008
  - Reporters may contract with VBs before they are accredited
  - All Verification Statements submitted to the Registry must be signed by an ANSI accredited/The Registry approved VB



# Industry Specific Protocols

- Developed using stakeholder process
- Includes a public comment process
- Additional guidance will take effect in the year following protocol adoption
- Once approved, CRIS will incorporate new requirements
- Training will be offered for each industry



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# Industry Specific Protocols (2)

- **Electric Power Sector**
- **Local Government Protocol (Annex to the General Local Government Protocol)**
- **Oil & Gas Exploration**
  - **Public comment period starting February 2009**
  - **Adoption: June 2009**



# Support of Mandatory GHG Programs

- 20 states & 4 provinces working on The Registry's Mandatory Reporting Committees
- Developing 2 options:
  - Common mandatory framework reported into CRIS
  - Data Exchange between State/Provincial databases and CRIS
    - Using EPA Exchange Network and the Consolidated Emissions Reporting Schema (CERS)



# CRIS Enhancements

- Training Site will be available this month
- Developing data exchange capability
  - Bulk data upload for Reporters (3/09)
  - Transfer of historical data from the California Climate Action Registry ( 2/09)
  - Data exchange between jurisdictions and CRIS (2009)
- Developing common CRIS framework to support mandatory GHG programs
  - Pilot program with Nevada (3/09)



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# Ready for Growth



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# Keeping the Momentum

- **Climate is an urgent issue**
  - Your continued leadership is necessary
- **The Registry is the Model for federal platform**
  - States and Regions continue to drive policy
- **Press: Scientific American to Business Week**
- **Recruit your fellows –**
  - You are the bell ringers for your respective sectors
  - Call on us



# Questions?

Please submit questions using the question and answer feature on your control panel.

These slides, and answers to today's questions, will be posted later this week at [www.theclimateregistry.org/References](http://www.theclimateregistry.org/References)

General Questions: [info@theclimateregistry.org](mailto:info@theclimateregistry.org)



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