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Welcome New Members

The Registry proudly recognizes its Members joining in September! We are now over 340 Members and continuing to grow

Nunavut joins Board of Directors



The [Government of Nunavut](#) has joined the 12 other Canadian provinces and territories on the Board of Directors of The Climate Registry. Nunavut's participation follows through on a commitment made by Canadian Premiers at the 2007 Council of the Federation to join The Climate Registry and support an integrated North American approach to GHG reporting.

"Our government recognizes the urgency of the climate change issue and the importance of systematically tracking GHG emissions," said Eva Aariak, Premier of Nunavut. "We are pleased to join all other Canadian jurisdictions that have also made this commitment. This is an important step toward collectively working to mitigate the effects of climate change."

To read more, [please click here](#).

EPA Releases Final Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued its Final Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule. Under the rule taking effect on January 1, 2010, suppliers of fossil fuels or industrial GHGs, manufacturers of vehicles and engines, and facilities that emit 25,000 metric tons or more per year will be required to submit regular reports of greenhouse gas emissions data to EPA. The program will cover approximately 85 percent of the nation's GHG emissions and apply to roughly 10,000 facilities.



The EPA is hosting a [webinar training series](#) to provide a broad overview of the general provisions of the rule to general audiences.

[Read more about the EPA rule.](#)

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Upcoming Events and Webinars

[September 30: Introduction to The Climate Registry: Canadian Context \(webinar\)](#)

[September 30: Prepare for Verification \(webinar\)](#)

[October 8: Greenhouse Gas Regulation and its Impact in Canada \(webinar\)](#)

[October 13: Potential Impact of GHG Regulation on Hospitals and the Healthcare Industry \(Colorado\)](#)

[October 15: Understanding State, Regional and Federal Climate Policy \(Chicago, Illinois\)](#)

[October 15: Introduction to The Climate Registry \(webinar\)](#)

[October 21: EPA Final Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule \(webinar\)](#)

[October 22: Los Angeles Climatini \(Los Angeles, California\)](#)

[Oct 28 - 29: Western Sustainability and Pollution Prevention](#)

Misys

The Climate Registry announced the next generation of its online emissions reporting system, supporting both voluntary and mandatory reporting, will be developed with [Misys Open Source Solutions](#), a division of Misys plc, a premier IT solution and services company. The new version of this system, currently known as the Climate Registry Information System (CRIS), is due for release in early 2010.



As The Climate Registry's preferred software vendor, Misys will be drawing on its experience gained in the carbon and treasury and capital markets sectors to help Registry Members develop accurate, rigorous and respected corporate footprint reports. "Our work with The Climate Registry is the perfect complement to our growing portfolio of environmental solutions. We're excited to be working with them and look forward to using our technology and technical expertise to shape this market," said Bob Barthelmes, Executive Vice President and General Manager, Misys Open Source Solutions.

Look for more information on the next generation of CRIS to be released later this year. To read more about this announcement, [please click here](#).

GHG Regulation and its Impact in Canada

Does your organization have operations or business interests in Canada? If so, please join The Climate Registry and many of its Canadian Board members for an informational webinar on the regulatory landscape, its impacts on Canada, and strategies for preparing for a carbon constrained future. As prominent government leaders, Canadian Board members are able to share firsthand insights and updates on climate policy from their jurisdictions, in addition to discussing national and international policies.



Thursday, October 8, 2009
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm EDT | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm PDT
FREE for Registry Board and Members | \$250 for others
[Register here](#)

Potential Impact of GHG Regulation on Hospitals and the Healthcare Industry



On October 13, The Climate Registry, Practice Greenhealth, the Colorado Hospital Association and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment will host an informational session on strategies for compliance risk management and opportunities for developing competitive advantage while preparing for a carbon

[Network Conference
\(San Diego, California\)](#)

[View our full calendar](#)

**The Climate Pages is
Near Completion!**

The Climate Registry is currently organizing The Climate Pages, a directory of technical assistance providers to serve as a resource for Members. If you are a technical assistance provider and would like to be listed in the directory, please contact [Kati Price](#).

**Kickoff of the Los
Angeles Climatini
Series - Oct 22**

The Climate Registry is pleased to invite you to participate in the kickoff Climatini event on Thursday, October 22, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm at Cafe Pinot, 700 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90071.

Climatini is an informal gathering featuring special drink and menu rates, networking and conversation among those with an interest in mitigating climate change. Through the quarterly Los Angeles Climatini series, we hope to foster a community of climate change activists, highlight our active Registry Members, and educate the public about climate change in a fun and engaging manner. The upcoming October 22 Climatini will be held in conjunction with the International Day of Climate Action.

constrained future. With a solid overview and thorough understanding of the North American regulatory landscape, potential regulated hospitals and healthcare organizations can learn how to prepare for new climate regulation.

Tuesday, October 13, 2009
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm MDT
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Room C1A
Denver, Colorado 80246

Please RSVP by contacting [Tymon Lodder](#) (+1 303.467.7765). A webinar option will be provided for those who cannot attend in person.

Climate Policy Forum Hosted in Chicago

The Climate Registry and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IL EPA) invite you to a climate policy forum in Chicago, IL. There has been significant activity surrounding climate change regulation at the state, regional and federal levels. To better understand the climate change picture, members of IL EPA, The Climate Registry, and Stuart School of Business will provide an overview of the current landscape and outline how companies can prepare for future regulation.



Thursday, October 15, 2009
8:30 am - 12:30 pm CDT
Center for Sustainable Enterprise
Stuart School of Business
565 West Adams Street, Room 579
Chicago, Illinois 60661

The event is free but seating is limited. Please RSVP by October 9 to [Mary McDonald](#), IL EPA. For questions, please contact [Ann McCabe](#), The Climate Registry.

Protocol Development Updates

The Climate Registry is Updating the General Reporting Protocol

The Registry is kicking off an update to the General Reporting Protocol (GRP) to incorporate new methodologies and emission factors. The update will expand guidance on key issues, including requirements for reporting aggregated emissions, identification of industry best practices, relationship between emissions reported to The Registry and emissions reported to mandatory reporting programs, and examples of the best documentation to provide to Verification Bodies. Please submit feedback on the GRP using The Registry's [GRP feedback form](#) by October 30, 2009. If you have any questions about the update, please contact [Peggy Foran](#).



Reminder: Local Government Operations Protocol Feedback

For more information, please [click here](#).

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The Climate Registry In The News

New Climate Registry Reporting System Due in 2010 ([GreenBiz](#))

Global Investors Call for a Strong Climate Change Treaty ([Environmental Leader](#))

The Dilemma of Voluntary Climate Action ([ClimateBiz](#))

The Climate Registry Upgrading Emissions Reporting in 2010 ([Environmental Protection](#))

Deadline

The Registry encourages stakeholders to submit feedback on the Local Government Operations (LGO) Protocol via the [LGO Protocol feedback form](#) by October 1, 2009. The Registry will consider feedback as it works to update the LGO Protocol. The updated LGO Protocol is scheduled to be released in early 2010.



The Registry will continue to solicit feedback on the program-neutral portion of the LGO Protocol and The Registry's program-specific appendix (Appendix D) on an ongoing basis. Please contact [Peggy Foran](#) with questions. If you have feedback on the program-specific appendices of the California Climate Action Registry, the California Air Resources Board or ICLEI, Local Governments for Sustainability, please contact those organizations directly.

Oil and Gas Production Protocol Update

The Registry would like to thank everyone who submitted comments on the [draft Oil and Gas Production \(O&GP\) Protocol](#) and [draft O&GP Addendum to the General Verification Protocol \(GVP\)](#). Over the coming months, The Registry will be working to incorporate your feedback in the final version of the protocol which will be released in early 2010. Please visit the [O&GP Protocol webpage](#) for additional information.

Meet Jeff Horowitz, The Registry's New Program Assistant



As the Program Assistant at The Climate Registry, Jeff's primary responsibilities are managing the new Member process, responding to Member questions on reporting and verification, coordinating and delivering web trainings, and developing a new users group for office-based Member organizations.

Jeff received his Master's Degree in Management, Economics, and International Relations in 2008 from UCSD's Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies. Prior to graduate school, he spent three years in Shanghai, China working as a Business Development Manager for a state-owned Chinese logistics company at the Shanghai Port Group. Jeff is currently finishing up a study (sponsored by the Union of Concerned Scientists) analyzing the economic impact of AB32 on small businesses. He is also a LEED Accredited Professional recognized by the U.S. Green Building Council. If you would like to reach Jeff, please contact him at 213.213.1252 or jeff@theclimateregistry.org.

Cool Planet Project Corner

Energy Efficiency Policy Builds Momentum

Energy efficiency is the most cost effective and immediate solution to climate change, and significant strides have been made in federal economic and environmental policy to support greater

energy efficiency efforts. The recent economic stimulus package included \$65 billion towards energy efficiency, \$3.2 billion of which funded the first-ever Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG). EECBG funding were distributed to state and local governments for energy efficiency projects. Sixty-eight percent went to over 1700 of the largest cities, 16 percent to counties under 200,000 and towns under 35,000, 12 percent to state energy offices, and four percent for competitive grants and tribes.

The Waxman-Markey bill also includes major innovations in energy efficiency policy. The bill requires electricity and natural gas utilities to ensure customer demand drops of 15 percent electricity savings and 10 percent natural gas savings by 2020. The bill also sets energy-efficiency standards for buildings, appliances, lighting, and industries.

[Read more about the Cool Planet Project](#)

About The Climate Registry

The Climate Registry is a nonprofit collaboration among North American states, provinces, territories and Native Sovereign Nations that sets consistent and transparent standards to calculate, verify and publicly report greenhouse gas emissions into a single registry. The Registry supports both voluntary and mandatory reporting programs and provides comprehensive, accurate data to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

For information about joining The Registry, please visit www.theclimateregistry.org.

The Climate Registry wants your news and newsletter feedback. Please contact news@theclimateregistry.org