

Climate Change Justice

We are in a period of great opportunity and challenge. Any policy proposals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions must include provisions that protect vulnerable low and moderate income households and communities from economic hardship due to increases in the cost of energy, goods and services. Low-income workers and communities must also have access to a fair share of investments in efficient homes, green buildings and low-emissions transit.

We invite advocacy groups to review our principles for Fair Climate Change Policy and our policy letters and statements.

Policy Analysis

Policy Briefs, Reports and Press Releases

- Report: Advancing Equity in Utility Regulation, November 2021
- Press Release: New Report Tackles Energy System Inequities, Opportunities During the Clean Energy Transition, March 5, 2019
- Report: Reversing Energy System Inequity: Urgency and Opportunity During the Clean Energy Transition, March 2019
- Issue brief: Model Utility Consumer Protections When Natural Disasters Strike, August 2018
- Issue brief: Juggling Basic Necessities and the Dire Consequences of Unaffordable Energy, May 2014
- Press Statement regarding the Sanders/Boxer Climate Bill, Feb. 14, 2013

Comments and Letters

- Comments filed with the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities re: Docket No. 20-80, May 6, 2022
- Comments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission re: the Affected Communities Discussed at the April 16th Office of Public Participation Workshop, Apr. 23, 2021
- Group comments to the FHFA re: Climate and Natural Disaster Risk Management Request for Input, Apr. 19, 2021
- Group letter to U.S. Treasury Secty. Yellen Urging Treasury to Create a Climate Hub and Appoint a Leader Who Will Address the Financial Stability Risks from Climate Change to Advance an Equitable Clean Energy Future, Feb. 25, 2021
- Comments to RGGI. re: Request for Stakeholder Comments, 2016 Program Review, May 9, 2016
- Additional Comments from Advocates On Behalf of Low-Income Households on the EPA's Clean Energy Incentive Program, Jan. 21, 2016
- Joint comments urging the EPA to modify their guidance to the states to include a greater focus on environmental justice, Nov. 2014
- Group comments on the EPA's Clean Climate Plan, Dec. 2014
- Group Comments (NCLC, National Community Action Foundation and Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy) on the EPA's "Clean Power Plan" (CPP), Dec. 2014
- Consumers Groups' Comments on EPA's Proposed "Clean Power Plan", Dec. 2014

Presentations

- Collision or Intersection? Car Ownership and Energy and Environmental Concerns,

PowerPoint presentation and audio recording (2010)

- Electricity and Consumers: Challenges Faced By Low-Income Consumers And Current Issues, Consumer Federation of America Consumer Assembly (2010)
- Climate Change 101: Essential Consumer Protections, NCAF Energy Conference, St Petersburg, FL (2009)
- Essential Consumer Protections: Critical Improvements to HR 2454, USCAN & Policy Matters Ohio webinar (2009)