

From: Springer, Darren [Darren.Springer@vermont.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 08, 2016 12:23 AM
To: Nate Hausman
CC: Gray, Laura; Robb Kidd
Subject: Re: Thank You

Thanks Nate! We look forward to working with you.
Darren

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 7, 2016, at 2:55 PM, Nate Hausman <natejhausman@gmail.com> wrote:

Darren and Laura,

I am emailing to thank you and your office for Governor Shumlin's strong leadership on divestment in his State of the State address today. We are thrilled to have the Governor's support on this issue and look forward to working with your office to move forward on it.

Again, thank you!

Nate Hausman
Energy Committee Chair
The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club

On Thu, Sep 3, 2015 at 4:03 PM, Nate Hausman <natejhausman@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Darren and Laura,

I am emailing to let you know that the California Legislature has officially passed a bill instructing the state's two pension funds to divest their coal holdings. (See, for example, <http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/sep/02/california-pension-funds-divest-coal>.) Governor Brown is expected to sign the bill into law. The text of the California coal divestment bill is available at http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB185.

The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club hopes that Vermont will take action to divest its pension funds from coal holdings as well and that Governor Shumlin will take a leadership role on this important issue. We would welcome the opportunity to work with you on this issue in the upcoming legislative session.

Thank you,
Nate Hausman
Energy Committee Chair
The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club

On Tue, Jul 28, 2015 at 9:48 AM, Nate Hausman <natejhausman@gmail.com> wrote:

Darren and Laura,

Thank you for sitting down with Robb and me yesterday to discuss fossil fuel divestment and our procedural concerns surrounding today's Vermont Pension Investment Committee meeting. We reached out to the Secretary of State's Office yesterday as well to share our concerns.

We appreciate your willingness to look at specific legislative divestment proposals. The Vermont Chapter of Sierra Club will continue to push for action on divestment in the next legislative session with a particular eye towards coal divestment as a initial step. We will keep your office apprised of movement on California's coal divestment bill, SB 185, which requires California's state pension funds Calpers and CalSTRS to divest from companies that generate at least half their revenue from coal mining. SB 185 has cleared the California Senate and was voted out the California Assembly's Committee on Public Employees in June.

Thank you again for meeting with us yesterday afternoon.

Nate Hausman
Energy Committee Chair
The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club

On Wed, Jul 22, 2015 at 10:19 PM, Springer, Darren
<Darren.Springer@state.vt.us> wrote:

Hi Robb,

I'd be happy to meet early next week. Copying Jessica Mishaan to help us schedule, and Laura Gray who might join me for the mtg.

Thanks

Darren

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 22, 2015, at 1:11 PM, Robb Kidd <robb.kidd@sierraclub.org> wrote:

Dear Darren,

I hope your summer is going well and that you are acclimating to your new position.

As we met with Governor Shumlin and you on the divestment issue a few months ago I am forwarding you this attached document on the divestment issue. Nate Hausman, the Vermont

Chapter of Sierra Club Energy Committee Chair submitted this letter to the Vermont Pension Investment Committee (VPIC) Chairman Rauh in preparation for next Tuesday's VPIC meeting.

VPIC Chairman Rauh offered 350 Vermont the opportunity to submit advance written testimony, however the offer was not extended to the Sierra Club or to any others. With growing concerns on the issue the VT Chapter of the Sierra Club believes that is important to have a vibrant and open discussion on the issue. Would you be available to meet in person to discuss your thoughts on the issue?

Thank You,

Robb Kidd
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From: **Nate Hausman** <natejhausman@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jul 17, 2015 at 3:09 PM
Subject: Letter on Divestment for Inclusion in 7/28 VPIC Meeting Packet
To: stephen.rauh@comcast.net, "Lueders-Dumont, Tim" <tim.lueders-dumont@state.vt.us>

Dear Mr. Rauh and Mr. Lueders-Dumont,

Attached is a letter from the Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club addressing state pension fund divestment from fossil fuel holdings. The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club urges the Vermont Pension Investment Committee to divest the state's pension funds from the top 200 publicly traded fossil fuel companies. Please include the attached letter in the July 28th meeting record and in the packet you provide to Vermont Pension Investment Committee members in advance of the meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Nate Hausman, Esq.
Energy and Climate Committee Chair
The Vermont Chapter of the Sierra Club

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