



GEORGETOWN CLIMATE CENTER

Georgetown State-Federal Climate Resource Center

The Georgetown State-Federal Climate Resource Center (also known as the Georgetown Climate Center or “GCC”) is the only center focused on the nexus of state and federal law and policy for climate change and energy. States have long been leaders in U.S. efforts to address climate change. They have filled an important policy vacuum and begun the real work of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, thereby making essential national emissions reduction targets more achievable and cost effective. In addition, their climate and energy strategies serve as models for federal approaches.

The GCC works to distill, analyze, and communicate information based on work at the state level and serves as a resource for those crafting new climate and energy policies. It brings together state leaders and federal officials to address climate policy challenges; monitors state, federal, and international developments; responds to information requests from state and federal policymakers; and provides analytical support to states seeking to promote their role in climate policy. The GCC also sponsors briefings and conferences.

Initial aspects of the Center’s focus include informing the development of:

- ◆ Cap-and-trade and other climate and energy legislation
- ◆ Regulation under the Clean Air Act and other existing statutes
- ◆ Transportation, land use, and other “complementary” policies to reduce emissions
- ◆ Policies and laws that promote state efforts to adapt to climate change in areas such as public health, infrastructure, conservation, and emergency preparedness and response.

Working with colleagues across the Georgetown community and beyond, the GCC intends to make a positive and tangible difference in the design and implementation of climate and energy policies. Such policies must be sufficient to address the challenge we face and should be informed by, and build upon, the unique contributions of the states.

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