Massachusetts Interfaith Climate Action Network

# Interfaith Pledge for Climate Action

We call on elected officials to take strong, quick action to help society transition to safe, clean, renewable energy and high levels of energy efficiency. To ensure the well-being of all, especially the poor, we must dedicate funding and resources according to the following principles:

- 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050
- No new coal plants
- Efficiency first: prioritize funding and programs that reduce energy needs and costs. This includes – building performance contracting, including diagnostics, air sealing and weatherization; reduced costs and favorable financing for high-efficiency heating, cooling, lighting and appliances; high-efficiency vehicles
- Prioritize clean, safe, renewable energy sources
- Prioritize care for the poor and investment in low-income communities
- Invest in training and support for young people from disadvantaged backgrounds, and those coming out of the prison system, to obtain jobs in the growing green sector
- Distribute funding and resources that increase community energy self-reliance, particularly investing in community organizations in low-income communities
- Eliminate or minimize subsidies for fossil fuel-related and nuclear energy production
- Invest in public transportation to ensure mobility, job access and well-being for all

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Please return this petition to MA Interfaith Climate Action Network, 76 Willow St, Acton, MA 01720

**Supporting Communities (as of 1/25/08):** The American Baptist Churches of MA; Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), New England District; Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life; Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries; Diocese of the Armenian Church in America (Eastern); Emerging Ecology Fellowship at Andover Newton Theological School; Episcopal Diocese of MA; Inspiration House; Islamic Institute of Boston; Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston; MA Board of Rabbis; MA Council of Churches; MA Interfaith Power and Light; Religious Society of Friends (Quakers); Religious Witness for the Earth; Union for Reform Judaism, Northeast Council; United Church of Christ, MA Conference; United Methodist Church, New England Conference; Unitarian Universalist MA Action Network