



MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual *Financial Disclosure Statement*. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Julia Letlow
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ OR None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 12/7/23 Return: 12/11/23
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ OR None
4. Departure City: Dulles, Washington DC (IAD) Destination: Dubai, UAE (DXB) Return City: Dulles, Washington DC (IAD)
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary):
 The meetings and events I attended on COP28 were instrumental in expanding my knowledge of energy and climate solutions and change. I experienced how other governments and cultures handle this issue area.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.
Signify statement is true by checking the box.
 b. If not, explain:

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: 

Date: 12/19/2023

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: _____

2. Travel Destination(s): _____

3. Date of Departure: _____ Date of Return: _____

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): _____

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler				
Accompanying Family Member				

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection.

This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Julia Letlow

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____



Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): _____

Office Address: 142 Cannon HOB

Telephone Number: 202-225-8490

Email Address of Contact Person: caroline.courville@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Julia Letlow
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Climate Solutions Foundation
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Dubai, United Arab Emirates
4. a. Date of Departure: 12/7/23 Date of Return: 12/11/23
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:
 - (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
 - (2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
 - (3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
This trip will seek to enhance my knowledge and skills regarding countries and governments in the Middle East. Thus, I will have a better understanding on future legislation and impacts to my district.
9. Yes No **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: 

Date: 10/24/23

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

- a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
- b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
- c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____
See attached!

5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: Thursday, December 7, 2023 Date of Return: Monday, December 11, 2023

7. a. City of departure: Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

b. Destination(s): Dubai, United Arab Emirates (DBX)

c. City of return: Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

- a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
- b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
- c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____
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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor’s interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
See attached
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13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
 - b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
 - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

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14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
 - b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If “b” is checked:
 - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
 - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
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16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Intercontinental Marina City: Dubai, UAE Cost Per Night: \$555.00
 Reason(s) for Selecting: Choose hotel close to events & rate is high due to limited availability.

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
 Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
 Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$17,145.40	\$2,220.00	\$778.50
For each Accompanying Family Member	\$17,145.40		\$778.50

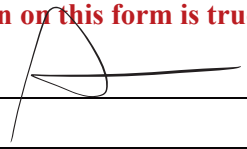
	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	Ground Transport	\$500.00
For each Accompanying Family Member	Ground Transport	\$500.00

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: October 16, 2023
 Name: Alex Flint Title: Executive Director
 Organization: Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)
 Address: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE Suite 410 Washington, DC 20003
 Email: andrea@mietusevents.com Telephone: 301-518-6336

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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November 8, 2023

The Honorable Julia Letlow
U.S. House of Representatives
142 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to United Arab Emirates,¹ scheduled for December 7 to 11, 2023, sponsored by the Climate Solutions Foundation.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$480] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.



Question # 4 The Climate Solutions Foundation invited these members due to their interest and commitment to the long-term goals of climate change. As a bipartisan organization, it is critical to our mission to have representation of as many U.S. Congressional leaders from across the political spectrum as possible take part in COP28 to gain further knowledge of what is at stake. We found the experience for the Members that attended COP26 and COP27 to be extremely beneficial.

First	Last	Title	Office	State
Troy	Carter	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	LA-02
Lori	Chavez-DeRemer	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	OR-05
Andrew	Garbarino	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	NY-02
Chrissy	Houlahan	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	PA-06
Susie	Lee	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	NV-03
Julia	Letlow	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	LA-05
`Salud	Carbajal	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	CA-24
Brad	Schneider	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	IL-10
David	Valadao	Member of Congress	House of Representatives	CA-22

11:30 AM – 5:30 PM GMT+4 **Delegation Attends COP28**
Expo City Dubai

The Conference of Parties, COP, is the decision-making body responsible for monitoring and reviewing the implementation of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), whose objective is to "stabilize greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic interference with the climate system." The UNFCCC meets annually and brings together 198 nations and territories – called Parties – that have signed on to the Framework Convention. We will participate in official COP programming where we will engage in discussions furthering our understanding of climate change impacts globally.

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM GMT+4 **Dinner: How Bipartisan Discussions Will Move the Needle on Climate Policy**
Hilton Dubai Palm Jumeirah

In keeping with our mission of bringing together ideologically diverse Members of Congress, global leaders, and corporate and trade executives to discuss climate science, economics, and policy, we will host a bipartisan dinner with Members of Congress, corporate executives, and climate scientists. This meeting will provide a collaborative environment to discuss a bipartisan path forward on climate policy globally and domestically.

RON **InterContinental Dubai Marina**
King Salman Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud St, Dubai Marina, Dubai, UAE

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Please note: Due to the earliness of the flight departure on Monday, December 11 at 2:25 am we have keptt the rooms for the MOC's so that they and their spouses can have access to the room throughout the day and prior to departure.

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM GMT+4 **Delegation Attends COP28**
Expo City Dubai

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Sunday, December 10, 2023

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Depart by Helicopter* for Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant

1 hour flight time

**Drive time would be close to 3.5 hours*

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM GMT+4

Tour of Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant

Dubai, UAE

Visiting the Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant will provide Members of Congress with a first-hand look at the UAE's energy transition and is tied directly to United States nuclear technology. The construction and use of this plant will contribute greatly to the UAE's diversification of energy sources and is a step toward meeting their international commitments for emissions reductions under the Paris Agreement on climate change.

The Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant is located in the Al Dhafra of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi on the Arabian Gulf. The Plant's four APR1400 design nuclear reactors will supply up to 25% of the UAE's electricity needs once fully operational and are expected to prevent up to 22 million tons of carbon emissions every year. In 2015, with the start of construction of Unit 4, the Barakah Nuclear Energy Plant became the world's largest nuclear energy construction site with four identical reactors being safely constructed on one site.

The reactors at the Barakah plant are adaptations of Westinghouse Designs, based in the United States, that are licensed to South Korea. Through the UAE's competitive procurement process, South Korea won the contract to build the reactor in Abu Dhabi. This is one of the first examples of the United States losing control of its own nuclear technology.

The United States's bid did not win in a nuclear procurement process that the UAE created based on the United States's licensing program. The UAE completed construction of the reactors at a lower cost and faster than reactors can be built in the United States. The goal of this site visit would be to learn about the UAE's regulations, construction techniques, and global competition for reactor technologies. Our Bipartisan delegation will be brought in to tour the facility and learn

4:45 PM -5:45 PM

Depart by Helicopter for Dubai

1 hour flight time

Sunday, December 10, 2023

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM GMT+4

Closing Dinner with Global Bipartisan Elected Officials

Dubai, UAE

Our final conversation of the officials from around the United Kingdom, Australia, this conversation will be on achieve climate goals discussed during COP28.



trip will be with bipartisan elected world, particularly those from the and the European Union. The focus of how governments can work together to

Monday, December 11, 2023

2:25 AM GMT+4

Depart DXB

Emirates Flight #231

Flight time: 14 hours 45-minutes

Note: This will be a business class flight

8:10 AM ET

Arrive at IAD

The Climate Solutions Foundation COP28
House Delegation- Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Thursday, December 7, 2023 – Monday, December 11, 2023

#12

The Climate Solutions Foundation's (CSF) mission is to bring together elected officials, scientists and academics, and corporate and trade executives to move action on climate change forward. We do not support any specific climate legislation. With this in mind, we have found that bringing Members to the local of global climate dialogues is an invaluable experience, which is why we seek to bring a bipartisan group of Members of Congress to Dubai, UAE for the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28) for the third year in a row. Like our programming in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt for COP27 and Glasgow, Scotland for COP26, our programming will consist of discussions and events focusing bipartisan climate solutions and the global green energy transition.

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The United Nations selects a location for its annual climate change conference (UNFCCC, otherwise known as COP28). They selected Dubai, UAE to hold this year's event. The Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF) has brought two groups of bipartisan Members of Congress to the past two UNFCCC COPs located in Glasgow, Scotland in 2021 and Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt in 2022. CSF has found the conversations with global leaders in a place dedicated to solely talking about and advancing a climate agenda to be invaluable. Additional events, such as the tour of the Jebel Ali L Power Station and dinner with a bipartisan group of global elected leaders, provide additional opportunities to compare how the United States' green energy transition and environmental laws compare to other countries. CSF found the experience at both COP26 and COP27 to be extremely valuable to the organization and it provided a great learning experience for the Members that attended.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Guest". The first letter "M" is large and loops around the first few letters of the name.

Michael Guest
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Wild". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "S" and "W" being particularly prominent.

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

MG/SW:mc

CSF ITINERARY FOR COP28 PROGRAMMING IN DUBAI

Friday, December 8, 2023

- 9:15 PM GMT+4** **Reps. Carter, Chavez-DeRemer, Garbarino, Houlahan, Letlow, and Valadao Arrive at Dubai International Airport (DXB)**
- 10:15 PM GMT+4** **Member Check-In & Grab and Go Dinner at the InterContinental Dubai Marina**
- 10:55 PM GMT+4** **Rep. Carbajal Arrives at DXB**
- RON** **InterContinental Dubai Marina**

Saturday, December 9, 2023

- 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM GMT+4** **Chief Sustainability Officers Roundtable Discussion & Breakfast**
Grosvenor House, Al Emreef St, Dubai Marina, Dubai, UAE

The Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF) assembled a group of 20 Chief Sustainability Officers and Chief Science Officers (CSO) from corporations around the globe already attending COP28, to discuss how corporate climate goals are transforming with recently developed CSO roles and what policies CSOs wish the government have in place. The purpose of this program was to connect with leading corporate executives from around the globe who are charged by their organizations for executing sustainable policies and procedures that the federal government requires of them. This event relates to CSF’s mission of assembling groups of elected officials and executives to have honest discussions and share ideas with our bipartisan delegation.

- 12:00 PM – 12:45 PM GMT+4** **UNFCCC BLUE ZONE:**
Rep. Garbarino Participates in Panel—What Comes Next After the IRA, Refuel EU, and CORSIA: How Global Public Policy Approaches Can Drive Transitions in Hard-to-Abate Sectors
Large Presentation Stage – [Blue Zone B7 #88](#)

The Inflation Reduction Act served to jumpstart investments in clean energy in the United States. Other measures aim to increase sustainable fuel supply globally. What do the next wave of policy measures look like? The panel convenes corporate and government leaders to discuss what regulatory landscape is necessary to accelerate decarbonization of hard-to-abate sectors.

Reps. Carbajal, Carter, Chavez-DeRemer, Houlahan, Letlow, and Valadao Walk Through GE Wind Technology Center

- 1:15 PM – 2:15 PM GMT+4** **UNFCCC BLUE ZONE: Lunch Discussion on America’s Carbon Efficiency Advantage Hosted by the Climate Leadership Council**
Business Council for Sustainable Energy – [Blue Zone B6 #85](#)

COP28 will feature the first ever “Trade Day” intended to highlight the role trade policy can play in accelerating global decarbonization efforts. This comes during a moment of profound transformation for the global trading system. The EU CBAM, the world’s first carbon import fee on internationally traded goods, is now in its inaugural phase. Policymakers around the world are simultaneously exploring similar policies to bolster domestic industries and workers while lowering global emissions.

Meanwhile, the United States is making remarkable strides in emissions reduction. Our innovative free-market system, bolstered by record investments in new low-carbon technologies, has further elevated America's carbon efficiency advantage over most of the world. The case for leveraging this advantage to reward cleaner businesses and compel other countries to follow our lead has never been stronger.

The Climate Leadership Council (CLC) is an international research and advocacy organization whose mission is to convene global opinion leaders around new climate solutions based on a carbon tax and dividends. CLC is focused on exploring the transformative intersection of climate and trade and the opportunities it presents for U.S. climate, economic, and geopolitical objectives. This discussion will focus on America's carbon efficiency advantage over key trading partners and the opportunities to hasten global decarbonization using trade policy.

2:30 PM – 3:15 PM GMT+4 **UNFCCC BLUE ZONE: Edison Electric Institute Member-Company CEOs Climate Discussion**
EEI Office, Building OR01, Room OR01F2 – [Blue Zone B5 #62](#)

The Edison Electric Institute (EEI) is the trade association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. Their members provide electricity for nearly 250 million Americans and operate in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. As a whole, the electric power industry supports more than 7 million jobs in communities across the United States. In addition to their U.S. members, EEI has more than 70 international electric companies as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members. This discussion will focus on permitting reform as well as wildfires and climate resilience.

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM GMT+4 **UNFCCC BLUE ZONE:**
Reps. Chavez-DeRemer and Valadao Participate in Panel Hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Fireside Discussion on Reducing Methane from Food and Agriculture
ICC, WTO Trade House Pavilion - [Blue Zone B7 #88](#)

Agricultural methane emissions are primarily the result of livestock, farming practices, and rice production. Countries will not be able to meet ambitious goals to reduce global methane emissions without engaging the agricultural community and the bioeconomy. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is co-hosting this conversation with the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), convening companies with government officials to discuss the potential to reduce methane emissions from food and agriculture. Objectives of this conversation include bringing together companies to engage about research efforts around fermentation, feed additives, and/or wearables, building consensus around funding and policies to incentivize research and public-private partnerships to promote the innovation needed to reduce methane emissions, and exploring the possible FDA regulatory process and barriers.

Reps. Carbajal, Carter, Garbarino, Houlahan, and Letlow participate in the Resources for the Future Fireside Discussion on Taking Stock of the Global Stocktake
[IETA Business Hub Pavilion – Blue Zone B6 #84](#)

The global stocktake, which is set to conclude at COP28, offers a chance for nations to reflect on progress made (or not made) toward Paris Agreement pledges. It also provides an updated assessment on the world's chances of limiting warming to well below 2°C.

Since the United States is a major emitter and plays a large role in the world economy, the nation's progress toward its own climate commitments will have major repercussions for the international community. With an

election year looming, how could the findings of the global stocktake, along with other emerging international actions, affect future US climate policy? And how might US climate policy in turn affect future international actions?

4:45 PM – 5:15 PM GMT+4 **Meeting with the UAE Foreign Ministry's Executive Affairs Authority (EAA) Economic & Energy Affairs Unit**
UAE Pavilion – [Blue Zone B5 #55](#)

Background: In September this year, during the period of the UN General Assembly, the UAE released a discussion paper describing its concern over the growing challenge of water scarcity. In this publication, the UAE demonstrated that although water scarcity is a peer threat to other transnational threats such as climate change and global pandemic, it receives far less attention and far fewer resources are dedicated to its mitigation. The UAE is launching an effort to rally global support to raise awareness and channel greater resources to combatting this problem. A working level team from the Executive Affairs Authority (EAA) and the UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs would like to meet and identify possible opportunities for cooperation.

6:30 PM – 7:20 PM GMT+4 **Delegation Attends Conservative Climate Fund Reception**
Marriott Palm Jumeirah

This mix-and-mingle style reception will bring together bipartisan Members of Congress, and the Conservative Climate Fund's friends and allies for a standing reception with passed drinks and appetizers.

7:30 PM – 9:30 PM GMT+4 **Climate Solutions Foundation Dinner**
Hilton Dubai Palm Jumeirah, Nakla salons 9 & 10

This dinner had 50 seated guests, including Senator Cardin's delegation, COP28 Director General Amb. Majid Al Suwaidi, corporate CEOs, leading climate scientists and academics, trade executives, and other distinguished individuals. This conversation focused on bipartisan climate efforts and gave Members a chance to have high-level discussions with key players at COP in a convivial atmosphere.

RON **InterContinental Dubai Marina**

Sunday, December 10, 2023

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM GMT+4 **UNFCCC BLUE ZONE: Reps. Garbarino and Houlahan Participate in Congressional Meeting with Dr. Sultan Al-Jaber**

Reps. Garbarino and Houlahan joined their colleagues from the official House delegation to meet with Dr. Sultan Al-Jaber to discuss his goals for this year's COP and his plans for his COP presidency.

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM GMT+4 **Reps. Carbajal, Carter, Chavez-DeRemer, Letlow, and Valadao Participated in a Breakfast & Discussion with NGO Leaders on COP28 Outcomes**
InterContinental Dubai Marina Admiral Room

COP28 ended two days after our delegation departs. To round out conversations had in the Blue Zone the day prior, leaders of nonpartisan NGOs joined our delegation for a discussion on their key takeaways from COP.

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM GMT+4 Delegation Participated in Discussion on Oil and Gas Industry Perspectives Hosted by the American Petroleum Institute
InterContinental Dubai Marina Admiral Room

The American Petroleum Institute (API) is the only national trade association representing all segments of America’s oil and natural gas industry. This discussion with API member-company executives focused on the oil and gas industry’s takeaways from COP28.

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM GMT+4 Lunch & Tour of Palm Jumeirah

Members learned about the desalination efforts and systems the UAE has invested in to provide drinking water to its residents.

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM GMT+4 Executive Time

7:30 PM – 10:00 PM GMT+4 CSF Dinner with Bipartisan Global Government Officials
Atmosphere Burj Khalifa

This dinner closed out CSF’s COP28 programming with over 50 global bipartisan elected officials from Australia, England, the United States, and the European Union. Leaders had the opportunity to have open, honest discussions about climate change efforts among their peers.

10:00 PM GMT+4 Members Travel to DXB

Monday, December 11, 2023

2:25 AM GMT+4 Members Depart DXB
Emirates Flight #231
Flight Time: 14 hours 45 minutes

8:10 AM ET Members Arrive at IAD