

November 30, 2015



The Honorable Paul Koretz
Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street, Suite 440
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: CF# 14-0907 – Support for 80% GHG cuts in Los Angeles by 2050

Dear Councilmember Koretz,

The staff at Global Green USA strongly supports your initiative to cut greenhouse gas emissions in Los Angeles by 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. Our national organization represents an expansive political, professional and community-based network dedicated to environmental protection and decisive action on climate change.

The evidence is strong and the consensus from the scientific community is clear. Los Angeles needs an aligned and effective emissions policy to ensure the reduction of greenhouse gas pollution meets our city's 2050 goals. Global Green applauds these ambitious targets and commends the leadership you have shown in championing these important issues.

We also appreciate your work to promote corresponding initiatives in the energy sector, particularly working with the LA Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to eliminate coal from the electricity mix and meet the 50% Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS). Global Green is also very pleased to see the Los Angeles City Council approve the action of the Energy and Environment Committee and direct City Attorneys to draft an ordinance on Energy and Water Efficiency in Existing Buildings (motion #14-1478).

As Paris welcomes our world leaders this week for the United Nations Climate Conference, we urge Council to pass this motion now in order to demonstrate our resolve and commitment to action. We thank you for your continued environmental leadership and tireless efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Les McCabe".

Les McCabe, Ph.D.
President and CEO
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