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## **THE ROLE OF THE STATES IN FEDERAL CLIMATE CHANGE LEGISLATION: ISSUES AND OPTIONS**

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### AGENDA

- 9:00 – 9:15 a.m. **Welcome**, *Phil Sharp*, President, Resources for the Future (RFF)
- 9:15 – 10:30 a.m. **The Current Federal Legislative Landscape: What is the State Role?**
- *Joe Goffman*, Senior Counsel, Senate Environment and Public Works Committee
  - *Gerry Waldron*, Staff Director, House Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming
  - *Dale Bryk*, Senior Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council
  - *Franz Litz*, Senior Fellow, World Resources Institute
- Moderator: *Kate Probst*, Senior Fellow, RFF
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break
- 10:45 – 12:15 p.m. **Cap and Trade: What Happens to Pre-Existing State and Regional Efforts? What is the Role of States Going Forward?**
- *Gina McCarthy*, Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection
  - *Brian McLean*, Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - *Bill Becker*, Executive Director, National Association of Clean Air Agencies
  - *Elizabeth Anne Moler*, Executive Vice President, Government and Environmental Affairs and Public Policy, Exelon Corporation
- Moderator: *Karen Palmer*, Senior Fellow, RFF
- 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch (provided)

1:15 – 2:30 p.m.

**Transportation: State and Federal Options for Reducing GHG**

- *Brian Turner*, Assistant Executive Officer for Federal Climate Policy, California Air Resources Board
- *David Raney*, Senior Manager, Environmental and Energy Affairs, American Honda Motor Company, Inc.
- *Bob Nordhaus*, Member, Van Ness Feldman

Moderator: *Ray Kopp*, Senior Fellow, RFF

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 – 4:00 p.m.

**Harnessing the Power of State and Local Governments: Renewable Portfolio Standards, Energy Efficiency, and Land Use**

- *Joseph Fiordaliso*, Commissioner, New Jersey State Board of Public Utilities
- *Richard Cowart*, Director, Regulatory Assistance Project
- *Charles Pattison*, President, 1000 Friends of Florida

Moderator: *Karen Palmer*, Senior Fellow, RFF

4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

**Wrap-up: Where Do We Go from Here? What are the Key Questions that Need to be Asked and Resolved?**

- *Eileen Tutt*, Deputy Secretary of Climate Change and Environmental Justice, California EPA
- *Brian Flannery*, Manager, Environment and Strategy Development, ExxonMobil Corporation
- *Dallas Burtraw*, Senior Fellow, RFF
- *Vicki Arroyo*, Executive Director, Georgetown State–Federal Climate Resource Center

Moderator: *Kate Probst*, Senior Fellow, RFF