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PRESENTATION SLIDES BELOW "Carbon Pricing: Signs of Bi-partisanship"

There is broad agreement among economists across the political spectrum that establishing a price on carbon is a key step toward substantially reducing greenhouse gas emissions worldwide. But are bipartisan efforts among *national advocacy groups* on the rise?

One sign of growing bipartisanship is the *Climate Solutions Caucus* (*spearheaded by Citizens Climate Lobby: <u>climate-solutions-caucus</u>) in the House of Representatives, established in February 2016, The Caucus currently has 68 members—intentionally split evenly between Republicans and Democrats. Another sign is the newly-formed <i>Climate Leadership Council* (*CLC*; <u>clcouncil.org/</u> launched one year ago by senior Republican leadership.

The Climate Leadership Council has proposed a *Carbon Dividends* plan that is remarkably similar to the *Fee and Dividend* proposal of the *Citizens' Climate Lobby* (*CCL*). After a brief review of carbon pricing, *CCL* members will provide an overview of both plans, plus additional signs of bipartisanship and an update on current national legislation.

- , , will also be discussed in this forum has similar goals. See republicen.org/about_us
- Also to be discussed: Niskanen Center Improving Policy, Advancing Liberty

For the basics on carbon pricing, two suggestions: the Carbon Pricing Leadership Coalition (carbonpricingleadership.org/what/) and Price on Carbon: Putting the Market to Work (priceoncarbon.org). The first source is global in scope, as it was launched on the opening day of the Paris Climate Conference on 11/30/2015. The second source is U.S. focused, and includes a helpful history of Congressional attempts to put a price on carbon. For details of CCL's and CLC's carbon pricing plans, see, respectively: citizensclimatelobby.org/carbon-fee-and-dividend/ and clcouncil.org/our-plan/.)

SLIDES: Carbon Pricing – Signs of Bipartisanship and the Need for More

- David Carlson: Part 1 − Brief Overview of Carbon Pricing: CLICK HERE
 → HANDOUT CLICK HERE
- 2. Kathleen Wells: Part 2 CCL Presentation, Climate Caucus/ Fed and State Updates: CLICK HERE
- 3. Douglas Alde: Part 3 Climate Leadership Council and Other Conservative NGOs: CLICK HERE
- 4. Paul Belanger & Ron Larson: Part 4 Limitations of Carbon Pricing and the Need for CO2 Removal: CLICK HERE

REFERENCED ARTICLES and/or Links:

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- Fossil Fuel Risk Bonds: Fossil-Fuel-Risk-Bonds-May-25
- A Climate Caucus Magnet for House Republicans? motherjones.com/environment/2018/02/
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