

## MEDIA ADVISORY

For November 12, 2017

### **PACIFIC COAST LEADERS TO SHOW HOW THEY ARE DELIVERING ON PARIS AGREEMENT AT COP 23 CLIMATE CHANGE TALKS IN BONN, GERMANY**

BONN—The U.S. West Coast governors from California, Oregon, and Washington will speak at a panel event on their regional collaboration to fully transition from a carbon-based to a vibrant clean energy economy. The discussion at the United Nations Conference of Parties (COP 23) in Bonn, Germany will showcase the ways Pacific Coast states, in partnership with British Columbia, are leading the charge on fighting climate change with or without support from federal governments. Participating in the panel will be Gov. Jerry Brown of California, Gov. Kate Brown of Oregon, and Gov. Jay Inslee of Washington.

These four governments are members of a regional partnership called the [Pacific Coast Collaborative](#) (PCC), which aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, decarbonize the economy and build thriving sustainable communities through the adoption of clean energy policies, sharing of expertise and resources, and collective action.

Together, the governors will use the panel to describe their efforts to slash greenhouse gas emissions while simultaneously growing their economies. Since 2005, regional nominal gross domestic product has grown by 20 percent while total region-wide emissions have declined more than six percent. Public and private-sector cooperation is transforming key economic sectors, putting the region on a path toward reducing emissions 80 to 95 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. The Pacific Coast effort has involved a shift toward a clean power grid, zero-emission buildings and transportation, solutions for ocean acidification, and increased health and prosperity for all families throughout the region.

#### **WHO:**

- Edmund J. Brown, Jr., Governor, **California**
- Kate Brown, Governor, **Oregon**
- Jay Inslee, Governor, **Washington**

**WHAT:** “Leadership for 2050: Subnational Action with a Long-Term Vision”

**WHEN:** Sunday, Nov. 12, 11:30am to 1:00pm (*Central European Time, nine hours ahead of Pacific Standard Time*)

**WHERE:** Meeting Room 2, Bonn Zone, COP 23

This event will also be live-streamed on Twitter via Periscope from the [@PCCleads Twitter account](#), and a link will remain on the PCC Twitter feed for viewing after the broadcast concludes. To follow the Pacific Coast Collaborative at COP23, use the [#PCCleads](#) hashtag.

#### **AGENDA:**

**11:30-11:40 AM: Welcome and States & Regions Annual Disclosure Launch**

- Helen Clarkson, CEO, The Climate Group
- Paul Simpson, CEO, CDP

**11:40-12:20: Dialogue 1: How are states and regions driving delivery of the Paris Agreement?**

- Chair: Laurence Tubiana, Former French Climate Change Ambassador and Special Representative for COP21 and CEO, European Climate Foundation
- Presentation: Jasmin Cantzler, Project Leader, Climate Action Tracker, Climate Analytics
- Panelists: **California** Governor Jerry Brown; **Oregon** Governor Kate Brown; **Washington** Governor Jay Inslee

**12:20-1:00 PM: Dialogue 2: The Clean Energy Transition: what does this mean for key energy-intensive sectors?**

- Chair: Helen Clarkson, CEO, The Climate Group
- Presentation: Dr. Bill Hare, Founder and CEO of Climate Analytics
- Panelists: Chris Ballard, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, Government of Ontario; Lesley Griffiths, Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs, Welsh Government; Sandy Pitcher, Chief Executive, Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, South Australia; Dr. Bill Hare, Founder and CEO of Climate Analytics

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