A Resolution to Hold Corporate Entities Accountable for Environmental Impacts

WHEREAS corporate entities are known polluters of both greenhouse gases and environmentally toxic wastes; and

WHEREAS, the cost to remediate environmentally degrading problems caused by corporate polluters, including both cleanup costs and health problems to citizens, should not be borne by the American taxpayer;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that corporate entities be held accountable monetarily for all costs of cleanup, remediation, and health care costs incurred as a result of their actions. All corporations whose production methods produce greenhouse gases and/or toxic wastes as a natural by-product shall be mandated to place and hold in trust at least five percent of their gross profits to be used for remediation purposes; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washington State Democratic Central Committee forward this resolution to the Washington State Delegation to the US Congress, the Washington State Legislature, and the Governor.

Submitted by the Klickitat County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for consideration at its June 14 convention in Spokane. (Date Submitted 4/26/2008)

The Resolutions Committee "AMENDED THIS RESOLUTION AND RECOMMENDED A PASS" at its May 31, 2008 meeting in Ellensburg.

The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 14, 2008 meeting in Spokane.