

# Southeast Climate Policy Forum

## Charting the Path Ahead



**February 3, 2009**

Hyatt Regency Tampa  
211 North Tampa Street  
Tampa, FL 33602



Join us in Tampa for the continuation of our successful Climate Policy Forum series that approaches climate policy on a more focused, regional level. This forum will bring together Southeast state governmental leaders, Registry Members and business, environmental and academic stakeholders to address climate change policies and how they will affect the Southeast. Industry representatives will discuss how they will prepare for the future and the opportunities they see in this changing environment.

Registration is now open; seating is limited.

### Meeting Highlights

- Be part of an interactive forum setting with an unprecedented lineup of regional, national and international government leaders, as well as business, environmental, academic and industry representatives
- Network at our opening reception with colleagues from industry, academia and government who share your interest in climate policy
- Member benefit! Registry Members can attend a free post-meeting workshop discussing tips on how to report and get your inventory verified

### Forum Sessions

#### Tuesday, February 3

**7:30AM**      *Registration Opens - Continental Breakfast*

**8:30AM**      **Welcome**

**Regional Overview of Climate Activities and the Role of The Climate Registry**

**Diane Wittenberg**, Executive Director, The Climate Registry

**Denise Sheehan**, Regional Director East, The Climate Registry

**9:00AM**      **Commissioners Roundtable**

Commissioners from Southeastern states discuss their action plans for addressing climate changes and explore policy approaches at state, regional and federal levels. What sectors may be included in regulation? What are the forecast changes in emissions over time? What are the options that may work for different states, and why? What is the role for federal action in climate policies?

**Carol Couch**, Director, Georgia Environmental Protection Division

**Onis "Trey" Glenn**, Director, Alabama Department of Environmental Management

**Leonard Peters**, Secretary, Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet

**William Ross**, Secretary, North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources – invited

**Nikki Rovner**, Deputy Secretary, Virginia Department of Natural Resources

**Renee Shealy**, Assistant Chief, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

**Michael Sole**, Secretary, Florida Department of Environmental Protection – invited

**Eddie Terrell**, Director, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Air Quality

**10:40AM**      *Break*

- 11:00AM Stakeholders Respond**  
Thoughtful stakeholders respond to the morning's panel from business, environmental and academic perspectives. How will companies prepare for a climate-friendly future, and where are the opportunities? Speakers also share their essential elements for state, regional or national climate regulation. Commissioners respond with their final words.  
**Eliot Metzger**, *Research Analyst, WRI*  
**Stephen Smith**, *Executive Director, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy*
- 12:30PM Luncheon and Keynote Address**
- 2:15PM Putting it in a Global Perspective**  
How does the Southeast view of climate action mesh with the changes taking place across North America and around the world? Speakers from around the world raise tough issues regarding harmonization and operating within state and regional frameworks.  
**Randy Armstrong**, *Environmental Issues Director, Shell*  
**Véronique Bugnion**, *Managing Director, Point Carbon*  
**Susan Glickman**, *Southern Regional Director, The Climate Group*  
**Tom Peterson**, *President and CEO, Center for Climate Strategies*
- 3:30PM Break**
- 3:45PM Pulling It All Together: The Role of The Climate Registry and Greenhouse Gas Inventories in Preparing for a Carbon Constrained World**  
How does The Climate Registry fit in the context of future state and federal climate policies and programs? How can preparing your greenhouse gas inventory assist organizations to manage and reduce emissions? Thoughtful business leaders will share their view of how The Climate Registry has assisted them in managing their emissions.  
**John Bennett**, *Director, North America Climate Change, SGS Environmental Services*  
**Robert Kepford**, *President, Boral Bricks*  
**Chris Lupo**, *General Manager, NSF*
- 5:00PM Reception – sponsored by NSF**
- 7:00PM Close**

## Post-Forum Workshop for Members Only

### Wednesday, February 4

- 9:00AM Building a Verifiable Inventory for Reporting to The Climate Registry**  
What are the first steps to creating and managing your inventory? What do you need to know to succeed in verification? Registry Staff, Members and Verifiers provide insight on building a verifiable inventory for reporting to The Climate Registry.
- 10:45AM Break**
- 11:00AM Voices of Experience: Panel of Verification Bodies and Registry Members**  
Participate in a roundtable discussion with Verifiers and experienced Members to share lessons learned and other tools that will help new Members succeed in verification.  
**Dave Church**, *Bureau Veritas Certification NA*  
**Chris Fleck**, *AECOM*  
**David Penoyer**, *SCS Engineers*
- 12:00PM Adjourn**

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## Registration

All attendees, including invited speakers, must register for the conference using our [online registration system](#). Members may register for the half-day pre-conference workshop at no cost. Registration for the full conference includes breakfast, lunch and a networking reception on Tuesday, February 3.

### Registration Rates

Member – Corporate	\$250.00
Member – Non-Profit/NGO/Academic	\$185.00
Non-Member – Corporate	\$325.00
Non-Member – Non-Profit/NGO/Academic	\$215.00
Member Workshop (February 4)	No cost

After you register online, you will receive an email confirmation. When you are onsite at the forum, your badge and meeting materials can be picked up at the registration desk in Galleria B on the second floor of the Hyatt Regency. Registration will be open from 7:00AM – 5:00PM on Tuesday, February 3 and starting at 8:30AM on Wednesday, February 4.

*Cancellation policy: We cannot accept meeting cancellations after January 20. Meeting registrations are transferable to another attendee until January 25.*

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## Accommodations and Travel

All meeting events will be held at the [Hyatt Regency Tampa](#) located at 211 North Tampa Street.

### Reservations

Phone: 813-225-1234

Online: <http://tamparegency.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels/index.jsp>

*Please note: Southeast Climate Policy Forum room block and special rate (\$179 single/double) expired January 12, 2009*

### Directions

*From Tampa International Airport (8.9 miles):* Take I-275 N and take Downtown West exit #44. Stay left on the ramp as the road forks. Merge onto Tampa Street, a one-way street. Stay in the left lane; the Hyatt is eight blocks down on the left side at the SE corner of Jackson and Tampa.

Shuttle Service from airport to the Hyatt Regency Tampa is provided by Blue One Transportation. Reservations can be made by calling 813-333-3598.