RE-AMP Statement on Equity

We must rapidly transition to an equitable clean energy economy for a healthy climate, people, and other living beings. Our work to combat climate change must ensure that the structures perpetuating and exacerbating inequity are transformed. We must use processes that are centered around sharing power, influence and resources to bring about equitable outcomes. In devising proposed solutions, the voices of those most affected by climate change should be prioritized and supported—ensuring a meaningful role in shaping policy.

To achieve this, we must first recognize key injustices in current energy and land use systems such as the inequitable health impacts of fossil fuel usage and the economic drain of energy and transportation costs on individuals and communities. We must also acknowledge the root causes of climate change that include among others: colonialism, slavery, genocide of indigenous people, private ownership of energy and the concentration of wealth and power in the hands of too few. When power shifts to people, we transform our future together for generations to come.

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