

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR)
HEARING TO ADOPT NEW REGULATIONS)
AND TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF)
20.2.1, 20.2.2, 20.2.70, and 20.2.72 NMAC,)
STATEWIDE CAP ON GREENHOUSE GAS)
EMISSIONS)
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No. EIB 08-19(R)

**ENTRY OF APPEARANCE OF
EARTH CARE INTERNATIONAL**

COMES NOW Earth Care International, and pursuant to Rule 20.1.1.303 hereby enters its appearance in this proceeding. In support thereof Earth Care International states the following:

1. Earth Care International is a 501(c) 3, organization, founded in 2001, and headquartered in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Earth Care International's mission is to educate and empower youth to create a thriving, just and sustainable world.

2. The heart of sustainability means creating a world that works for us all. Sustainability is commonly defined as the ability to meet today's global economic, environmental and social needs without compromising the same opportunity for future generations. The very concept of sustainability did not become meaningful until we began to imagine that human activities could create a condition of ecological, social, and cultural unsustainability.

Earth Care International believes the heart of sustainability is caring for the Earth and ensuring that thriving ecosystems - our life support - exist into an infinite future.

3. A sustainable community is not economic growth, development, market share, or competitive advantage, but the entire web of life on which our long-term survival depends. Earth

Care International supports the Petition and believes that a science-based cap on the emissions of greenhouse gases is one important step we must take to act in harmony with natural systems.

4. At Earth Care International, we are giving our youth the educational tools to apply their individual contributions within the context of our community and the world. We strongly adhere to and teach the values inherent with earth stewardship and self-reliance as well as community involvement, because it is our responsibility to instill an ethical self-awareness and connect this understanding to a care for each other and our natural resources.

5. At Earth Care International, young people from diverse backgrounds are involved in the following development projects: Sustainable Food Production; Water Harvesting & Conservation; Waste Reduction, Reuse, & Recycling; Sustainable Building; Energy Conservation, Efficiency, & Renewable Sources; Cultural Revitalization; Ecological Restoration; Local Economic Exchange & Self-Reliance; Strong Democracy & Citizenry; and Community Health. The young people we serve want green jobs – employment that is meaningful and contributes to the well-being of our community.

6. A cap on carbon emissions will stimulate funding, research and development for a new energy economy.¹ Global warming regulation is the necessary trigger to reenergize investment and jump-start the sluggish economy; a transition to a new clean economy will spur green-collar jobs, which are well-paid, career-track, community based, and contribute directly to preserving or enhancing environmental quality.

7. Earth Care International enters its appearance in this proceeding to examine and present comments, evidence and argument concerning this matter.

¹ After the passage of California's carbon emissions cap, A.B. 32, capital investment soared from a little over \$200 million to \$580 million in 2006. Investments in solar technology, alone, resulted in 17,000 new jobs.

8. Earth Care International should be served with copies of all pleadings and other documents filed in this proceeding by any participant. Service should be provided to:

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WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Earth Care International enters its appearance in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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