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cc: DNC Chair Tom Perez

Dear Washington State DNC Members,

Confusion persists over the DNC's current and planned policy regarding contributions from the fossil fuel industry, including fossil fuel-backed PACs. We are concerned that, absent a clear statement from the DNC about this issue, cynicism will continue to build among Americans nationwide about the Democratic Party's resolve in the battle against climate change.

Resolution 8, adopted at the Chicago meeting of the DNC last month, contains important statements about climate change, but it does not contain any language clarifying the DNC's openness to accepting fossil fuel money. We write now to call on the DNC Executive Committee to finish what they started in June and reinstate the ban prior to the November midterm elections.

We seek your leadership toward a clear statement that the Democratic National Committee rejects corporate PAC contributions from the fossil fuel industry that conflict with our DNC Platform. We hope this statement will be forthcoming within the next four weeks, before ballots drop in Washington State. Attached you will find a resolution to this effect, which we are bringing to the upcoming WSDCC meeting in Spokane.

Thank you for your consideration of our request on this critical issue. The Environmental and Climate Caucus looks forward to working with you and the rest of the DNC to take action on the climate crisis.

Sincerely,

**The Environment and Climate Caucus of the Washington State Democratic Central Committee**

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