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GOVERNOR ROMNEY'S POLICY STATEMENT

by Governor Mitt Romney

While I believe that any effective CO₂ emission reduction program should be global, I believe in a “no regrets” approach to improve our energy efficiency, reduce our CO₂ emissions, and end our dependency on foreign oil. America needs an energy plan that includes reducing our consumption of oil; increasing our use of alternative sources of energy like nuclear, ethanol, and biodiesel; and investing in the necessary research and development programs for alternative energy, energy efficiency, and low-carbon technologies. These actions will enable us to heat our homes, drive our vehicles, and run our businesses with a much smaller environmental footprint than ever before.

I believe we must become energy independent. As I always do when I look for solutions to America's problems, I look to

America's greatest source of strength—the American people. We need to be fostering American ingenuity and innovation to develop new technologies. The government can play an important role. It is imperative that we increase our energy research funding. We need to initiate our generation's equivalent of the Manhattan Project to develop these new technologies. We must create new economic sources of energy—clean energy, as well as new energy-efficient technologies. We should be licensing these technologies to other countries as well as employing them here at home. The government should be working with industry to accelerate the rate at which these technologies enter the market. These actions will enable us to heat our homes, drive our vehicles, and run our businesses with a much smaller environmental footprint than ever before.



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