

Happy Holidays from [Green Light Group](#)!

In what has been a very busy third year, [Green Light Group](#) has worked hard to help its clients – and clients of clients – understand and participate in the world of climate and energy law and policy. As usual, many projects this year involved research, writing, analysis, and strategic advice. Some of the major activities this past year included:

- Drafting numerous reports and memos for [Ceres](#), working with [David Gardiner & Associates](#), focused on the **financial risks and opportunities posed by climate change for institutional investors**. These included a summary of [Investor Progress on Climate Risks & Opportunities](#) and [A Practical Toolkit for Investors](#) on managing the risks and opportunities of climate change.
- Advising the [Climate Law and Policy Project](#) on its strategy, activities, and policy proposals, and attending the UN Climate Change Conference in Poznan, Poland to promote its policy ideas and its work on **climate change and human rights**.
- Helping to guide and write the update for [NRDC's report ranking states' oil vulnerability and solutions for change](#), working with [David Gardiner & Associates](#).
- Assisting Holly Kaufman and [Environment & Enterprise Strategies](#) with updating a report for [E2](#) and the [Cleantech Venture Network](#) on **how public policy influences cleantech investment**.
- Helping [David Gardiner & Associates](#) advise the [Edwards Mother Earth Foundation](#) on its **state-level energy efficiency grants**, including identifying potential grant recipients and monitoring grantees' progress.
- Providing research and expert advice on **multilateral environmental agreements' compliance regimes** for the [Institute for Governance & Sustainable Development](#).
- Preparing several confidential memos for [Green Strategies'](#) clients interested in a range of **domestic and international policy developments** relating to climate change and clean energy.
- Conducting interviews and drafting a confidential report for the [Center for American Progress](#), working with [David Gardiner & Associates](#), on the **types of economic analyses needed** to advance strong climate and energy policies in the United States.
- Editing several papers for [Earthpace](#) on **legal frameworks to address climate change in Asia**.

2009 is shaping up to be a pivotal year for action on climate and energy issues. Barack Obama will be the new U.S. president, with energy and climate change high on his list of priorities. The international community will be driving to finalize a post-2012 climate agreement in Copenhagen. Policies to advance a clean energy economy will offer the promise of green jobs and economic recovery. Companies, investors, organizations, foundations, and governments will focus increasing attention on tackling the climate crisis. And [Green Light Group](#) will be there to help its clients understand and harness the potential that this new year brings.

With best wishes for a very happy holiday season,



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