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Clinton Climate Initiative

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The Clinton Climate Initiative (CCI) is a Clinton Foundation project dedicated to making a difference in the fight against climate change in practical and measurable ways, initiating programs that directly result in substantial reductions in heat-trapping greenhouse gas emissions.

On August 1 2006, the Clinton Climate Initiative announced its first program at a press conference in Los Angeles. Joined by British Prime Minister Tony Blair, Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, London Mayor Ken Livingstone, and San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsome, President Clinton announced that CCI will join with the Large Cities Climate Leadership Group, or C40, an organization comprised of most of the largest cities in the world that have pledged to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The CCI will assist the large cities in the group in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and increasing energy efficiency by using the same business-oriented approach that has made other Clinton Foundation initiatives successful. Urban areas account for 75 percent of the world's greenhouse gas emissions.

The CCI—C40 partnership currently has over 40 of the largest cities in the world participating, including: Bangkok, Berlin, Bogota, Buenos Aires, Cairo, Caracas, Chicago, Delhi, Dhaka, Houston, Istanbul, Jakarta, Johannesburg, Lagos, Lima, London, Los Angeles, Madrid, Melbourne, Mexico City, Moscow, New York, Paris, Philadelphia, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Sao Paulo, Seoul, Toronto, and Warsaw. The partnership anticipates that the number of cities joining will increase in the coming months.

To enable its partner cities to reduce energy use and green house gas emissions, CCI is:

Creating a purchasing consortium that pools the purchasing power of the cities to lower the prices and accelerate the deployment of energy saving technologies.

Mobilizing our technical partners to provide assistance to cities to develop and implement plans that will result in greater energy efficiency and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

Creating a common measurement tool that allows cities to establish a baseline on their greenhouse gas emissions and measure the effectiveness of individual programs in reducing these emissions.

Creating an internet-based communications system to share best practices and exchange experiences.

Putting together a revolving finance mechanism for cities that uses manufacturer guaranteed energy savings as collateral to finance initial installation.

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