



Maine Interfaith Power and Light ClimateCare Committed Member Agreement



Please complete and return to MeIPL at PO Box 146, Brunswick, Maine, 04401

Maine Interfaith Power & Light Commitment

Maine Interfaith Power & Light commits to provide _____ (name of community of faith) with resources to encourage their members to become better stewards of Creation by providing the following:

- Clean electricity from *NativeEnergy**—enough to offset the carbon produced from 6,000 kWh in a congregation - about 1 year's worth of power¹
- Access to discounted energy saving products including an extensive variety of compact fluorescent light bulbs; LED lights (including Christmas lights); toxic free insulation products; EnergyStar rated products; water conservation products (e.g., "low flow" faucet restrictors); thermostats (digital, programmable); and many other items to help you conserve precious resources!
- Educational resources appropriate for the faith community or household use.
- Opportunities to gather with other like-minded faith communities and/or individuals.
- Provide information about state conducted energy audits for faith community buildings.
- Maine Interfaith Power & Light e-newsletter and other email notifications.
- Speakers for faith community events related to the mission of MEIPL.
- Guidance in how to conserve energy and reduce carbon emissions.

ClimateCare Congregation Commitment

_____ (Name of Community of Faith) herewith commits to becoming a committed member of Maine Interfaith Power & Light and pledges to support the mission of Maine Interfaith Power & Light by agreeing to:

- Designate at least one faith community representative as an active liaison with MEIPL;
- Pledge to "deepen the connection between people of faith and environmental protection by joining together with other communities of faith to address global climate change." (Note: This is an honorary pledge. By taking this pledge your community of faith's name will be added to a national list of faith based organizations working to address global climate change. This pledge is non-binding and does not obligate your faith community to MeIPL in any way.)
- Commit to share effective practices, events and Maine Interfaith Power & Light - related experiences with other Maine Interfaith Power & Light member faith communities
- Commit to participation in one or more of the following activities of Maine Interfaith Power & Light:
 - Educate our congregants on how energy production and usage affects global warming.
 - Conduct an energy audit of our buildings to identify sources of energy waste and the potential financial savings of energy related improvements.
 - Make energy efficiency improvements to our congregation's buildings.
 - Utilize renewable energy by purchasing green power or Green Tags and/or installing renewable energy technology (e.g., solar panels).
 - Analyze, reduce, and offset our greenhouse gas emissions to become a climate-neutral congregation.
 - Support public policies that improve energy choices and conservation.
 - Encourage members of our faith community to practice energy efficiency activities in their homes.
- Make an annual financial contribution to Maine Interfaith Power & Light of \$100

¹ Participants help build new Native American wind farms on the Great Plains through *NativeEnergy's* *WindBuilders*™ program. Maine Interfaith Power and Light will purchase on your behalf a share of the estimated amount renewable energy credits "your" wind farm will generate over its expected operating life. This way, you help cover its higher life time costs up front when it needs it most. "Your" wind farm's clean, renewable electricity will displace electricity from fossil fuels, reducing carbon dioxide pollution on your behalf. The power will be sold as "generic" electricity, reserving the environmental attributes for you. *NativeEnergy's* *WindBuilders*™ is a powerful way to compensate for the climate impacts of your electricity service, which you will continue to purchase from your electricity supplier. *NativeEnergy* is majority-owned by the non-profit Intertribal Council On Utility Policy.



Member Information

Faith community: _____
Address: _____
Faith tradition: _____
of Members in Faith community: _____

Signature: _____
Position / Title: _____
Date: _____

The faith community representative / contact person for on-going work

Name: _____
Position / Title: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
E-mail Address: _____



Signature: _____
Position / Title: _____ Date: _____
MEIPL Contact: _____

Please make your check payable to
'Maine Interfaith Power and Light' and mail to:
Maine Interfaith power and Light, P.O. Box P.O. Box 146, Brunswick, Maine 04011-0146