

INVESTING IN AND ENCOURAGING CLEAN, RENEWABLE ENERGY

Social Policy Resolution
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Resolved:

To receive with gratitude the memorial from the Southeastern Synod regarding a transition to clean, renewable energy;

To affirm the ELCA's Corporate Social Responsibility program and encourage that program to continue its work on developing a sustainable environment through focused attention on shareholder advocacy related to climate change;

To encourage the Corporate Social Responsibility program to continue identifying potential positive social investments in companies taking steps toward a sustainable environment;

To affirm the ELCA Foundation's use of guidelines for socially responsible investment of assets within its Endowment Fund Pooled Trust;

To affirm the shareholder advocacy work of Portico Benefit Services and encourage Portico Benefit Services to support the development of clean, renewable energy sources whenever such support is consistent with its fiduciary responsibilities; and

To encourage ELCA members, congregations, synods and agencies to examine lifestyles and environmental footprints as they impact climate change, improve their stewardship of energy resources, transition to renewable energy sources and promote care for God's creation.

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