

Organizational Sign-on Letter: Reject Mike Pompeo for Secretary of State

Dear U.S. Senators,

We are writing to urge you to reject the nomination of Mike Pompeo for Secretary of State. Mike Pompeo is a climate denier who, during his time in Congress, was the top recipient of money from the Koch Brothers and commonly regarded as the “Koch Brothers’ Congressman.” The Koch Brothers have poured hundreds of millions of dollars into highly improper and unethical climate denial efforts over the past twenty years, including funding junk science and fake propaganda campaigns -- and paying off elected officials like Mike Pompeo.

At a time when our planet is rapidly warming and millions are being impacted by climate change supercharged hurricanes, fires, drought, mudslides, and more, the last thing we need is another climate denier in the White House administration; his nomination must be rejected. Any Senator who votes in support of his nomination to the important position of Secretary of State is complicit in advancing the Trump/Pompeo pro-fossil fuel, anti-climate agenda.

During his time in Congress, Mike Pompeo made numerous statements evidencing his climate denial and took other actions that reflect an extreme anti-environmental, anti-consumer safety agenda. Among these were:

- Repeatedly questioning the settled science of climate change, opposing the Paris climate accord, and calling Obama-era plans to address climate change “damaging” and “radical,” even though they clearly did not go nearly far enough to address the impending climate crisis.
- Authoring and introducing the Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act, which would expedite the approval of pipelines used to move fracked gas. This would facilitate more fracking and use of gas, which is a leading contributor to climate change.
- Calling for the permanent elimination of wind power production tax credits, at a time when we need to be giving every incentive for more solar and wind production as we move off fossil fuels.
- Carrying Monsanto’s water as well, by authoring federal legislation that stripped states of their rights to inform consumers about whether food contained genetically modified ingredients.

The Secretary of State is responsible for representing the United States abroad and negotiating our position on international issues. Climate change is the most pressing issue of our time; indeed, many of our past and remaining responsible national security experts consider climate change to be a major threat to this country's national security and safety. We cannot afford to have a pro-fossil fuel climate denier in that position. All senators who accept the settled science and care for future generations around must reject his nomination. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

National Organizations

198 methods
350.org
Amazon Watch
Beyond Extreme Energy
Beyond the Bomb
Breast Cancer Action
Center for Biological Diversity
Center for Food Safety
Climate Hawks Vote
ClimateTruth.org
CREDO
Daily Kos
Fair World Project
Food & Water Watch
Franciscan Action Network
Friends of the Earth U.S.
GMO Free USA
Great Old Broads for Wilderness
Green America
Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice
Greenpeace
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy
Just Foreign Policy
Justice Action Mobilization Network
Nuclear Information and Resource Service
Ocean Conservation Research
Oil Change International
Organic Consumers Association

Peace Action
People Demanding Action
Power Shift Network
Progressive Democrats of America
Public Citizen
Rachel Carson Council
Rainforest Relief
Sunrise
Win Without War
World Can't Wait

Local, State and Regional Organizations

350 Chicago
350 Chico
350 Colorado
350 CT
350 Kishwaukee
350 Long Beach
350 New Mexico
350 New Orleans
350 NYC
350 Seattle
350 Spokane
350 Triangle
Abundance Food Co-op
ADAPT! (Avoid Disposables And Plastic Trash!)
Advocates for Springfield
Animals Are Sentient Beings, Inc.
Athens County (OH) Fracking Action Network
Ban Fracking CA Petition
Berks Gas Truth
Big Reuse
Blackhawk Sierra Club Group
Breathe Easy Susquehanna County
Bronx Climate Justice North
Brooklyn Bridge CSA
CatholicNetwork.US
CEO Pipe Organs/Golden Ponds Farm
Chgo Anonymous
Chicago Area Peace Action
Church Women United in New York State

Citizen Action of New York
Citizens for Local Power
Citizens United for Renewable Energy (CURE)
Cleveland National Forest Foundation
Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipelines - NY
Coalition Against the Pilgrim Pipeline - NJ
Coastal Environmental Rights Foundation
Coherence Collaborative
Colorado Interfaith Power and Light
Colorado Youth Climate Council
Community Advocates for Sustainable Energy
Compressor Free Franklin
Concerned Burlington Neighbors
Concerned Citizens For Change
Concerned Residents of Oxford
Connecticut Citizen Action Group (CCAG)
Crawford Stewardship Project
Cream of the Crop CSA
Daughters of Wisdom US Province
Dominican Sisters in Committed Collaboration (Amityville, Blauvelt, Caldwell, Hope, Maryknoll, Sparkill)
Dominican Sisters of Houston
Don't Waste Arizona
Earth Care
Earth Day Los Angeles
Earth Ethics, Inc.
Eco-Poetry.org
Eight Rivers Council
Empire State Consumer Project, Inc.
Environmental Justice Task Force of the WNY Peace Center
Environmentalists Against War
First World
Frack Free Four Corners
Frack Free Ohio
FreshWater Accountability Project
Fresnans against Fracking
Friends of the Pogonip
Garden State Earth Institute
Gas Free Seneca
Genesis Farm
Glenmary Home Missioners
Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space
GMO Free California

GMO Free CT
GMO Free NY
Greater Highland Area Concerned Citizens
Greater New York Labor Religion Coalition
Green Delaware
Green Newton
Greenbelt Climate Action Network
Ground Game LA
Guernsey County Citizens Support on Drilling Issues
Hilton Head for Peace
Hunger Action Network of NYS
iEat Green, LLC
Illinois People's Action
Indivisible North Fork
Indivisible Santa Barbara
Interfaith Worker Justice - New Mexico
Irthlingz
Jewish Climate Action Network NYC
Let's Visit Lee Zeldin
LI Clean Air Water & Soil
Local Clean Energy Alliance
Maryland Environmental Health Network
Meadowlark Center
Michigan Climate Action Network
Michigan Stop the Nuclear Bombs Campaign
Mid-Missouri Peaceworks
Mobilize Mendocino
Monmouth Community Climate Coalition
Move Forward Long Island
Nature Coast Conservation
New Energy Economy
New Jersey PDA
New Jersey Tenants Organization
New Mexico Climate Action
New Mexico Environmental Law Center
New York Communities for Change
New York's Second District Democrats
Newark Science and Sustainability Inc
NJ PDA
NJ State Industrial Union Council
NMEAC
North Forkers for the Common Good
Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York

Nuclear Age Peace Foundation
Nurses for Social Responsibility
NW Bronx Indivisible
NYC H2O
Oakland Park Democratic Club
OMNI Center for Peace Justice & Ecology
Orange Residents Against Pilgrim Pipelines
Our Revolution New Mexico
Our Santa Fe River
OVEC-Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition
PEER/NYPAN
Pennsylvania Alliance for Clean Water and Air
People Not Pipelines
People's Climate Movement- Capital Region
People's Climate Movement NY
Philly Neighborhood Networks
Plymouth Friends for Clean Water
PNM Shareholders for a Responsible Future
Popular Resistance
Protect Monterey County
Protecting Our Waters
PSR Arizona
Ramapough Lenape Nation
ReThink Energy Florida
Revolution LA
Right to Know Colorado
River Guardian Foundation
Rocky Mountain Peace and Justice Center
Rootskeeper
Safe Energy Rights Group, Inc.
Sanford-Oquaga Area Concerned Citizens (S-OACC)
Santa Barbara Standing Rock Coalition
SASD
Save Our Illinois Land
Save The Pine Bush
SCRAM
SEED Coalition
Seeding Sovereignty
Show Up Long Island
Siena House
Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia
Slow Food North Shore
Society of Alternative Resources

South Coast Neighbors United
Stand Up/Save Lives Campaign
Stop the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion (SAPE)
Suffolk Progressives
Sustainable Warwick Infrastructure Committee
Three Parks Independent Democrats
Tierra Vista
Transition Town Manchester
United Jewish Federation of Upstate New York
Vokashi, Inc.
Wall of Women Colorado
We Are One River
We Are Seneca Lake
WESPAC Foundation
West Chester Cooperative
Westchester Rivertowns Mothers Out Front
Westside Produce Exchange
White Rabbit Grove RDNA
WNY Drilling Defense
Women's March Central Gulf Coast Florida
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Santa Cruz branch
Xun Biosphere Project
Youth Arts New York/Hibakusha Stories