

Political will to enact carbon fee is getting stronger

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Dear Editor: Kudos to you for your [brilliant editorial endorsing Citizens' Climate Lobby's proposed carbon fee and dividend legislation](#). Congress has been learning about climate change risks, and the need for carbon pricing legislation. When CCL volunteers met with members of Congress in June 2015, we found that they asked many well-considered, detailed policy questions. They asked about the smartest way to distribute carbon fee revenues to the public in order to shield the public from price increases, and how best to structure a border adjustment to protect American businesses. In previous years, Congress paid less attention to specific policy questions, but Congress is studying carbon fees now because, as the public has become educated about climate change, the political will is growing for an efficient, equitable well-designed carbon fee. Congress responds to the will of the people.

Readers should let Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Wis., know that sponsoring a carbon fee and dividend bill now would be a clever Republican way to work around EPA regulations that a federal appeals court said last week can proceed despite litigation.

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