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**Subject:** Climate Alliance / "We Are Still In" Letter

Hi all,

As I think folks know, there is an effort afoot to have cities, states, businesses, and university presidents sign on to a letter which is being called "We Are Still In." I will spare folks the background on the evolution of this (although happy to discuss by phone), but as I'm sure many folks saw, the effort was previewed on Friday in a NYT piece, available here: <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/06/01/climate/american-cities-climate-standards.html>, that features Mayor Bloomberg as the driving force behind the effort.

I think at this point, all three of us are teed up to participate, and possibly OR and a few other states. I'm not sure if others have been on the email chains, but there has been quite a bit of last minute back and forth and changes (for example, AGs were going to be included in the letter but were then told they could not be included).

Increasingly my sense is that this initiative and ours are being conflated, and that we have some basic differences of opinion in the right ways to move each of our efforts forward. As such, I think it might be in everyone's better interests to have our two initiatives continue on parallel and complementary but separate tracks. I also know many Governors are having signing fatigue and may not be inclined to sign on to yet another initiative. I want to see what you all think and whether you agree. If so, I'd be fine with conveying that decision to the letter organizers first thing tomorrow AM. We should probably also then reach out to the other states who may have signed on so that we are moving in lock step.

Thanks and look forward to hearing your thoughts.

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