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**From:** Skip Pruss <pruss@5lakesenergy.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2019 10:39 AM  
**To:** Manning, Peter (AG)  
**Subject:** FW: NYU Law School State Energy and Environment Impact Center

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**From:** Nessel, Dana (AG) <NesselD34@michigan.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2019 9:18 PM  
**To:** Keenan, Kelly (AG) <KeenanK@michigan.gov>  
**Cc:** Skip Pruss <pruss@5lakesenergy.com>  
**Subject:** Re: NYU Law School State Energy and Environment Impact Center

Sounds good to me.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 12, 2019, at 9:11 PM, Keenan, Kelly (AG) <[KeenanK@michigan.gov](mailto:KeenanK@michigan.gov)> wrote:

That is very interesting. I will see about getting something scheduled.

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**From:** Skip Pruss <[pruss@5lakesenergy.com](mailto:pruss@5lakesenergy.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2019 5:14 PM  
**To:** Nessel, Dana (AG); Keenan, Kelly (AG)  
**Subject:** FW: NYU Law School State Energy and Environment Impact Center

I've been in contact with David Hayes, Executive Director, NYU Law School State Energy and Environment Impact Center. The non-partisan Impact Center was founded in 2017 and supports state AGs in defending and promoting clean energy, climate and environmental laws and policies.

David is keenly interested in supporting the MI AG office. The [Impact Center](#) could assist in several ways.

- The IC funds the salaries of 17 [Law Fellows who serve as SAAGs](#) in their respective states. State AGs recruit and select their own Law Fellows. (Although the program is completely transparent and ethical, it may engender backlash).
- The IC has a pro bono program providing assistance to states on energy and environmental issues from the Impact Center's own staff of attorneys. The IC pays all costs associated with its services. Five states have a formal agreement (attached) with the Impact Center for pro bono services – NY, MA, MD, MN and WA.
- The IC serves as a clearinghouse for [all AG actions](#) including litigation, rule-making, federal notices, and notice and comment opportunities. The information posted on its website is always current.

- The IC assists in coordinating multi-state actions in concert with Mike Myers from the NY AGs office who hosts bi-weekly multi-state calls (Neil Gordon participates in the calls). It also sponsors periodic networking opportunities in D.C. for state AAGs and publishes a bi-weekly [newsletter](#) on energy and environmental issues.

David and his Deputy Director Elizabeth Klein would like to come to Michigan to meet you both.

Prior, David was a Distinguished Visiting Lecturer at Law at Stanford Law School, Deputy Secretary and Chief Operating Officer of the Department of the Interior in the Obama Administration, and Deputy Secretary of the Interior during the Clinton Administration.

**From:** David J. Hayes <[david.hayes@nyu.edu](mailto:david.hayes@nyu.edu)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2019 4:31 PM

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**Subject:**

Skip:

It was great to chat.

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Here's our last one:

<https://mailchi.mp/c50e9e620251/legally-speaking-june-6>

Thanks.

David

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