

Happy Holidays from [Green Light Group](#)!

This year, [Green Light](#) had the opportunity to work with a range of organizations, philanthropic foundations, and businesses to produce resources, advance dialogues, hone strategies, and provide leadership on critical climate, energy, and broader sustainability issues. With its research, analysis, writing, and strategic guidance, [Green Light](#) worked both independently and in conjunction with other consultancies – including [David Gardiner & Associates](#), [Green Strategies](#), [SustainAbility](#), [Environment & Enterprise Strategies](#), and [Buzzword](#) – on numerous projects, including:

- Authoring [GEO-5 for Business: Impacts of a Changing Environment on the Corporate Sector](#) for the UN Environment Programme, describing how the **trends described in UNEP's 5th Global Environment Outlook (GEO-5) affect 10 different business sectors**: building & construction, chemicals, electric power, extractives, finance, food & beverage, health care, information & communication technology, tourism, and transportation.
- Helping facilitate a **dialogue between the hydropower industry and the environmental community** on ways to improve the licensing process to get more hydropower without sacrificing environmental priorities.
- Serving as rapporteur and producing public reports for **three Aspen Institute dialogues**: the 34th annual [Energy Policy Forum](#), the 4th annual [Clean Energy Forum](#), and Aspen's first [roundtable](#) on developing smart electricity networks (i.e., smart grid).
- Co-authoring a [report](#) for a group of philanthropic foundations exploring **the role of charitable giving in supporting energy efficiency retrofits** in commercial office and retail buildings.
- Helping advise the Edwards Mother Earth Foundation on its **state-level energy efficiency grants**, including monitoring grantee progress and helping to organize the 4th forum for its grantees.
- Helping conduct a **policy evaluation of the Hewlett Foundation's 5-year Western Conservation Strategy**, including recommending threats, opportunities, and policies to address in a renewed strategy.
- Continuing to advise Climate Law & Policy Project on how best to hone and present a **climate change policy strategy** known as Climate Emission Reduction Targets (CERTs), including arranging meetings with thought leaders and strategizing about potential avenues for implementation.
- Helping the Coalition for Green Capital strategize about, and conduct outreach to foundations in pursuit of, funding for its efforts to advocate for **state green banks**.
- Helping the Energy Foundation manage the logistics for its **matching-grant program** for organizations working to transition the U.S. away from coal-fired generation.
- Beginning the process of helping one of the largest U.S. banks **prepare its 2013 Corporate Responsibility Report** (to be completed in 2014).

[Green Light](#) looks forward to helping its clients continue efforts like these in the year ahead. If you are interested in learning more about any of the projects above, or if [Green Light](#) can be of service to you in your work, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

With best wishes for a very happy holiday season,



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