

# The Establishment of a National Ecology Committee in the Green Party US

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Subject: The Establishment of a National Ecology Committee in the Green Party US.

Background and Purpose: The national Green Party is a vital center for communication and dissemination of information regarding issues and campaigns. The failure to have a functioning component that is focused on environmental issues has weakened the party's capability to develop long-term campaigns, coordinate candidate policy proposals within bio-regions and utilize available resources effectively. The Green Party's core constituency has been environmentally-centered individuals. As constituencies increase the Green Party US needs to maintain its focus on such issues and increase its base. The distinct character of these issues at the local level can be unified with the general trends at the macro-level in developing our relevance in the political arena. Looking at current issues, new constituencies of the Green Party become more obvious at local levels. This also needs to be translated into national attention, and discussion held regarding appropriate policies and issues to unite with such constituencies and isolate the Dem-Repub oligarchy.

RESOLUTION to state Green Parties: Requesting support for the formation of a national Green Party Ecology Committee, to constitute itself according to the national GP CC requirements. Committees must be approved by the CC.

PURPOSE of a national Green Party Ecology Committee: Inform GP members of key state, national and global environmental issues and problems, including scientific reports, studies and findings;

Promote an ecological context to the GP platform and policies, with special emphasis on global warming and biodiversity; Help to make the state and national GP prominent public voices and advocates for environmental issues; Communicate and exchange information with Green parties in other countries on global commons issues, based on the Global Greens Charter to which the GPUS subscribes, with attention to the implications of environmental problems for social justice and human welfare; Assist the national GP Media Committee in developing and publicizing GP environmental policies, positions and actions by providing them with information and resources for national press releases and other purposes; Develop environmental awareness, expertise and leadership within the GP; Encourage and facilitate the formation of non-GP environmental activism, organizations and movements on major issues like global warming; Solicit the advice and assistance of scientists and other experts for information, guidance, information in research, advocacy and public education

Timeline: Committee will be formed by invitation to states and individuals in the 2-3 months following passage of the resolution by the Coordinating Committee and will become an integral part of the GPUS.