

## **OUR PRINCIPLES**

The undersigned organizations commend state agency and stakeholder efforts in implementing a Competitive Fuels policy in Michigan. We thank Governor Whitmer for recommending that Michigan adopt the policy in the state's MI Healthy Climate Plan. This policy will help ensure that Michigan remains a leader in clean transportation innovation.

The Competitive Fuels Act should adhere to the following principles:



**Promote Michigan's Leadership in Advanced Mobility:** Support the creation of good-paying jobs in the clean fuels and advanced automotive industries and elevate Michigan as a leader in the transition to a zero-carbon economy.



**Remain Technology and Fuel-Neutral:** Base the policy on lifecycle assessment of a portfolio of clean fuels, including biodiesel, ethanol, renewable natural gas, electricity as a transportation fuel, hydrogen, and other renewable and low-carbon fuels. The policy should follow the best peer-reviewed science and utilize the most rigorous lifecycle emissions modeling.



**Catalyze Innovation in Low Carbon Fuels:** Use a performance-based standard to grow low-carbon fuel use and infrastructure with transparency, scale, and fair competition.



**Center Michigan Communities:** Target the benefits to Michiganders and Michigan businesses by creating incentives to invest in the state, growing the clean fuel industries, creating good-paying jobs, and reducing pollution affecting public health and water quality in our Great Lakes.



**Build on Existing Policies:** Build on existing state and federal fuel, transit & mobility, transportation decarbonization, infrastructure, and greenhouse gas emissions policies rather than seeking to replace existing policies and programs.



**Include Appropriate Safeguards:** Identify safeguards and incentives to protect biodiversity, reduce potential land use impacts, consider unintended consequences at scale, safeguard customer privacy, and promote equity.



**Reward Climate-Smart Agricultural Practices:** Recognize a variety of voluntary agricultural practices that contribute to the reduced carbon intensity of fuels. Reinforce and complement existing efforts by the agricultural sector to increase the adoption of practices that improve soil health and water quality.



























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