

Organizational Sign-on Letters
Region VI Coalition for Responsible Investment

July 2018 – June 2019

- July 11, 2018 Letter to George Zoley, CEO of the Geo Group, to refrain from any involvement in any efforts the U. S. government is developing to indefinitely detain immigrant families.
- July 11, 2018 Letter to Damon Hininger, CEO of CoreCivic, to refrain from any involvement in any efforts the U. S. government is developing to indefinitely detain immigrant families.
- July 12, 2018 Letter to RSPO Secretariat encouraging the adoption of an effective standard for sustainable palm oil production that includes protection of forests and land and procedures that ensure protection of human rights for the labor workers.
- July 30, 2018 Support to Oxfam “Behind the Barcode” investor statement. Statement asks companies to: improve transparency in the supply chain; know, show and act on the risk of human rights violations faced by women and men in supermarket supply chains; guarantee safe working conditions and equal opportunities for women; fairly share the revenues in the food industry with the women and men who produce our food.
- August 23, 2018 Investor letter to the Government of Bangladesh, (includes Ministers of Industries, Labor and employment, Commerce, etc) asking that representatives of the Government inspect tanneries for child labor and provide alternatives for child workers and to conduct and publish a formal assessment of environmental degradation in Hazaribagh and to create an action plan for cleanup.
- August 23, 2018 Investor statement to 25 publicly-traded jewelry brands and watch makers and 9 publicly-traded department and big box stores that sell gold and diamond jewelry. Statement calls companies to review their policies and practices and take action to ensure responsible sourcing of gold, diamonds, and other precious minerals and gems in line with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-affected and high-risk areas.
- August 23, 2018 Letter to William Foote, Walgreens Boots Alliance lead independent, requesting a meeting to discuss potential financial, legal and reputational risks Walgreens is facing related to the distribution and dispensing of opioids and to ask that the board consider adopting governance reforms designed to mitigate those risks.

August 29, 2018 Letter to Jane Henney, lead independent director for AmerisourceBergen Corporation (ABC), to request a meeting to discuss potential financial, legal and reputational risks ABC faces in light of the opioids epidemic

August 31, 2018 Support of the investor statement calling on the government of Bangladesh to make a re-submission to the High Court to enable the Accord to operate until a national safety regulatory body is determined to have the capacity to take over the Accord's operations.

Sept. 5, 2018 Letter to David Dorman, Chairman of the Board of CVS Health Corporation, requesting a meeting to discuss potential financial, legal and reputational risks Walgreens is facing related to the distribution and dispensing of opioids and to ask that the board consider adopting governance reforms designed to mitigate those risks.

Sept. 7, 2018 Support of Investor statement encouraging global home goods and apparel brands and retailers to take action to address the risk of human rights abuses in the cotton fields of Turkmenistan. Companies using Turkmen cotton face legal, financial and reputational risk and are confronted with grave moral concerns

Sept. 11, 2018 Letter to AT&T directors and staff expressing concern about the prevalence of sex trafficking through online platforms and requesting information about how AT&T combats online sex trafficking and monitors online safety issues.

Sept. 12, 2018 Letter to Doug McMillon, CEO of Walmart Stores, Inc. congratulating the company for its recent commitment to phase out the sale of paint removal products containing the toxic chemicals methylene chloride and N-methylpyrrolidone in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central America and online by February 2019. The letter further encourages Walmart to ensure all Walmart stores worldwide to no longer sell these products.

Sept. 23, 2018 Letter to Congress asking that the Farm Bill that is considered include permanently funding programs that support local and regional food systems, beginning farmers and farmers of color, organic and sustainable agriculture research and healthy food incentives for families. In addition, that the bill protect the SNAP program from cuts as directed in the Senate farm bill.

Oct. 8, 2018 Letter to Lead independent director of Abbott Labs. Requesting governance reforms re: disclosure of clawback use; separation of chair and CEO; refraining from excluding legal/compliance costs from compensation metrics; independent investigation and reports on disclosure to shareholders about opioid-related risks and report on lobbying activity.

- Oct. 8, 2018 Letter to President Trump and cc'd to Andrew Wheeler (acting administrator of EPA) and Ryan Zinke (secr. of the interior) "pushing back" on the Trump Administration's rollback of environmental safeguards.
- Oct. 11, 2018 Letter to Johnson & Johnson expressing concern about the potential business risks relation to reports that J & J have used programs to block generic competition.
- Oct. 11, 2018 Letter to William Rogers, Jr, the Chair and CEO of SunTrust Banks, Inc. in response to reports that SunTrust is a source of funding for MVM,inc and Comprehensive Health Services which are contracted to government agencies carrying out the "zero tolerance" immigration policies. Further requesting SunTrust's policy commitments to respect human rights and ethics and how do they disclose these efforts.
- Oct. 11, 2018 Letter to Admin. Wheeler and Deputy Admin. King expressing opposition to the ruling by the EPA and the National Highway Safety Admin. rule to roll back the 2012 fuel economy and greenhouse gas standards and to revoke California's authority to set its own emission standards.
- Oct. 18, 2018 Letter to the Government of Bangladesh related to ongoing labor and environmental violations in the Bangladesh leather sector and urging government inspections of the tanneries in response to child labor concerns and environmental degradation.
- Oct. 18, 2018 Letter to 37 oil and fossil fuel companies expressing concern about the risk to the human right to water and requesting that these companies respond to the 2019 investor request for water information via the CDP Water questionnaire.
- Oct. 18. 2018 Letter to various banks requesting information about lending policies to companies involved in climate-related industries.
- Oct. 22, 2018 Letter to David Zapolsky, senior vice-president of Amazon.com Inc. expressing concern about Amazon's lack of engagement with its shareholders including purposely avoiding constructive and substantive dialogue with shareholders.
- Oct. 22, 2018 Letter to the CEO of 20 ICT companies (information & Communications Technology Companies) that scored 30 or less out of 100 on the Know the Chains benchmark finding report. This is an indication of their policies which address the risk of forced labor, slavery and unethical recruitment in their extended supply chains.

- Oct. 22, 2018 Letter to various farming companies expressing concern about lack of animal welfare and care leading to possible food safety concerns, increased greenhouse gas emission, antibiotic use and resistance, etc.
- Oct. 23, 2018 Letter to Robert Iger, CEO of The Walt Disney Company, thanking him for the policy adopted in 2015 that no new Disney-produced movie would feature tobacco imagery. Concern was raised about the newly acquired 20th Century Fox organization and how Disney will incorporate their policy into these film acquisitions.
- Oct 23, 2018 Letter to Randall Stephenson, CEO of AT&T, about their new Warner Media purchase and how Warner's no tobacco policy will be upheld and incorporated into AT&T's other entertainment productions.
- Oct. 23, 2018 Letter to Christopher Coughlin, Lead Independent Director of Allergan PLC. Requesting a meeting to discuss potential financial, legal and reputational risks Allergan is facing related to the manufacturing and sale of opioids and to ask the Board to consider adopting governance reforms designed to mitigate those risks.
- Oct. 23, 2018 Letter to Dr. Sol Barer, Board Chair of Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Requesting a meeting to discuss potential financial, legal and reputational risks Allergan is facing related to the manufacturing and sale of opioids and to ask the Board to consider adopting governance reforms designed to mitigate those risks.
- Oct. 29, 2018 Investor Statement calling on corporations to incorporate environmental, social and governance dimensions of responsible investment as they transition to a low-carbon economy and give specific attention to the implications in the workplace and wider community.
- Oct. 30, 2018 Letter to Members of Congress expressing support for protection for the Honduran Migrant Caravan.
- Nov. 8, 2018 Global investor statement to Governments/Global Leaders about the issue of climate change, encouraging full support for the Paris Agreement. Statement signed by 350 international investors representing USD \$30 trillion in assets. Signatories are to be announced at the COP meeting in Poland.
- Nov. 13, 2018 Support of the letter to Samantha Deshommès, chief, regulatory coordination division of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, expressing concerns about the federal government's proposed rule "inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds".

- Nov. 15, 2018 Letter to 30 companies in the oil and gas sector opposing the proposed rollbacks of the EPA. Rollbacks specifically regulate oil and gas methane emissions. Letter requests that the corporations also publically oppose the rollbacks.
- Nov. 19, 2018 Statement of Principles Strengthening America's Values and Economy (SAVE All) calling for protection of services that protect low-income and vulnerable people, promote job creation, increase revenues from fair sources and seek responsible savings from wasteful spending in the Pentagon, immigrant detention camps, creation of new nuclear weapons, etc.
- Nov. 19 2018 Petition to SEC asking the SEC issue guidance that would advise companies on how to disclose information about emissions of carbon dioxide from manufacturing and use of biomass fuels and biomass-based products. The request is that companies disclose adequate information to be able to evaluate greenhouse gas emissions and to ensure that such emissions are not deceptively characterized.
- Nov. 20, 2018 Letter to Julia Janson, Executive Vice President of Duke Energy expressing alarm by Duke's lack of preparation for, and response to, the catastrophic impacts of Hurricane Florence and the resulting breaches of its coal ash ponds.
- Nov. 27, 2018 Letter to six of the largest global restaurant chains requesting on improving the sustainability of meat and dairy supply chains in the global fast food sector. The engagement will ask companies to set, and report on, a clear strategy for how they are managing climate and water risks.
- Dec. 13, 2018 Investor statement on corporate accountability for digital rights and to encourage ICT companies to use the Ranking Digital Rights Corporate Accountability Index as a tool to help improve their governance systems and performance on human rights risks related to privacy and freedom of expression.
- Dec. 14, 2018 Letter to Members of Congress expressing opposition to the "First Step Act" which reinforces already embedded racial prejudice and social-economic disparity ensuring that communities of color are disproportionately impacted by the criminal penal system
- Jan. 15, 2019 Letter presented at Walgreen's AGM expressing concern about their policy of selling tobacco and other nicotine-based products.

Feb. 5, 2019 Signed on to an Investor statement to the Government of Bangladesh expressing concern at the lack of support by the Government for groups that are working to protect human rights due diligence process throughout the Bangladeshi supply chain and for garment workers to be safe and secure.

Feb. 28, 2019 Investor statement calling on investors to set up and carry out a due diligence process to manage risks to people and the environment and calling on governments to support investor due diligence through better regulation of financial systems.

Mar. 4, 2019 Letter to Kristjen Nielsen (Sec. of Homeland Security) and Michael Pompeo (Sec. of State) requesting that the citizens of Venezuela be granted temporary protected status.

Mar. 12, 2019 Letter by Faith Leaders to Members of Congress calling on them to pass the Reuniting Families Act and to oppose any attempts to curtail family-based immigration, the diversity visa program or otherwise prolong family separation.

Mar. 12, 2019 Signed on to an investor statement from Know the Chain calling on corporations to address forced labor issues in their global supply chain by implementing policies and practices in the areas of commitment and governance, traceability and risk assessment, purchasing practices, recruitment, worker voice, monitoring and remedy.

March 13, 2019 Letter to members of Congress asking for support of the Green New Deal and its core concepts.

March 22, 2019 Letter to Leadership of the House and Senate asking that funds be appropriated for research into gun violence in order to address it effectively with appropriate and evidence based solutions.

March 25, 2019 Letter to Administrator Wheeler (EPA) and Assistance Sec. James (Secr. of the Army for Civil Works) expressing opposition to the new rule to replace the 2015 Waters of the U.S. Rule that will result in a rollback of Clean Water Act protections for the nation's streams and wetlands.

April 4, 2019 Investor statement on Turkmen Cotton addressed to global home goods and apparel brands and retailers to take action to address the risk of forced labor in the cotton fields of Turkmenistan.

April 5, 2019 Letter to the leadership of General Mills expressing concern about the growing risk related to the use of pre-harvest glyphosate on oats and other crops used in its products and GM's failure to address those concerns.

April 24, 2019 Letter to members of the House of Representatives to support the Climate Action Now Act to keep the United States in the Paris Agreement and require the Administration to assemble a plan to meet our commitments under the agreement.

April 26, 2019 Follow up Letters to 18 banks with regard to firearms lending policies and practices. Letters asked for updates to their policies and follow up actions that were taken by the banks in regard to credit and lending services.

May 12, 2019 Letter from investors to Facebook's top shareholders asking that they withhold their votes of support from Mark Zuckerberg as a member of Facebook's Board of Directors. Expressing concern for his excessive and unchallenged power as CEO, Board Chair and company's controlling shareholder.

May 22, 2019 ICCR Investor statement asking companies increase investor's accessibility to information related to the company's workplace equity policies and practices across gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation and other federally protected classes.

May 23, 2019 Letter to Shelly Pfeiffer of Amazon requesting a call to discuss the implementation of labor rights in Amazon's operation and supply chain.

May 31, 2019 Letter to Jamie Dimon, JP Morgan Chase CEO, expressing concern over JP Morgan Chase's approach to climate change given the levels of fossil fuel financing they offer and the support of projects and companies that raise concerns regarding human and indigenous rights, including people's right to water and lands and the right to free and prior and informed consent.

June 3, 2019 Letter to members of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee opposing ICEs use of solitary confinement.

June 3, 2019 Letter to Chairman Cummings (U.S. house oversight committee) and Ranking Member Jordan (U.S. house oversight committee) urging them to put in place a federal moratorium on face recognition for law enforcement and immigration enforcement purposes until Congress fully debates what, if any, uses should be permitted.

June 11, 2019 Follow up letter to Amazon again requesting a call to discuss the situation labor rights in Amazon's operations and supply chain. Letter will address concerns that Amazon fulfill their responsibility to respect human rights in line with the UN Guiding Principles of Business and Human Rights, among other UN and international agreements.

- June 11, 2019 Letter to Edward Stack, CEO of Dick's Sporting Goods commending him and the company for their public stand on gun safety and the implementation of safeguards in their stores to curb the spread of gun violence.
- June 24, 2019 Letter initiated by Network and distributed by ICCR sent to Congress expressing the need for affordable health care and affordable drug pricing.
- June 24, 2019 Global investor statement to governments on climate change reiterating full support for the Paris Agreement. Statement signed by 477 investors representing over \$34 Trillion in assets.