

Coastal Resources Management Council Re-Appointments

Senate Environment and Agriculture Committee

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My name is Kristen Ivy Moses and I am the executive director of Rhode Island Interfaith Power & Light, a faith-based response to climate change. As people of faith, we believe we have a moral responsibility to safeguard the well-being of those most vulnerable, people of color and low-income communities. I am speaking to all three appointments.

If the CRMC is making decisions that affect the communities of people of color and low-income, the committee should be made up of individuals directly impacted by the decisions they make. The committee should contain a diverse representation of community members, public health care workers, and environmental experts. The current appointments do not reflect that. Regardless of whether these appointments meet current legal regulations, they are unjust. Thank you.