

# Double Jeopardy: The High-stakes Reality of Climate Change in the U.S.

2012 has been another year of devastating and costly extreme weather events, including Hurricane Sandy, heat waves, droughts, crop failures, and destructive wildfires. Science clearly points to climate change as loading the dice for weather systems across the U.S. and the planet. However, that's just part of the story. As coal-fired power plants release carbon pollution into the atmosphere they produce other toxins that directly impact local communities' health. Commitments to increase energy efficiency and transition to clean, renewable energy production have strong benefits for our communities and economies. Such strategies can help to create more sustainable community models, by cutting the emissions that drive climate change, creating the jobs and growth our economies need, all while maintaining the health and well-being of communities.

**When: Thursday,  
December 6  
3:00-4:30 PM  
(Doha local time)**  
**Where:  
Side Event Room 6**

## Please join us to:

- Discuss the scientific evidence and trends of climate impacts in the U.S. and around the world.
- Hear real stories from vulnerable communities in the U.S.
- Learn more about what's at stake, campaigns on the ground, and solutions that improve the health and wellbeing of communities.

## Speakers:

- Doug Boucher, Union of Concerned Scientists
- Jacqueline Patterson, Women of Colored United
- Amanda Nesheiwat, SustainUS
- Mary Minette, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*Moderated by: JP Leous, Outreach Director, US Climate Action Network*



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