



*Protecting and promoting the natural resources, rural economy,
history and beauty of the Virginia Piedmont since 1972*

June 1, 2022

The Honorable Gary Gensler
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20549

Re: Response to Call For Public Comment On Climate-Related Disclosures

Dear Chair Gensler,

The Piedmont Environmental Council (PEC) appreciates the opportunity to submit the following comments regarding the proposed rulemaking to enhance and standardize climate-related disclosures for investors.

PEC was formed in 1972 for the purpose of preserving and protecting the natural resources, rural economy, history, and beauty of the Virginia Piedmont. We operate in a 9-county region, provide assistance to the surrounding area, and weigh in on areas of state and federal policy that directly impact our ability to carry out our mission. We have played an active and integral role in watershed and water quality protection through our involvement in land use and transportation planning, energy infrastructure siting and policy, education on farming practices and habitat restoration and targeted conservation of private lands. Our efforts span almost half a century and have helped to create the largest area of privately conserved lands in Virginia. Climate change is impacting all of these efforts

We support the proposed rules as a significant step in moving the corporate sector towards greater responsibility for disclosure of climate risks and impacts and responsibility informing the investing public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher G. Miller".

Christopher G. Miller, President
The Piedmont Environmental Council

