

Press Release

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LOCAL CONSULTANT JOINS THE CLIMATE PROJECT TEAM

VANCOUVER, WA: Local sustainability consultant, Jill Sughrue, of Sustain-NW, joined Bill Bradbury, Oregon's Secretary of State, as one of 1,000 individuals chosen to participate in **The Climate Project** (www.theclimateproject.org). Participants are charged with giving a version of former Vice President Al Gore's presentation on the effects of - and solutions for - global warming to community groups throughout the U.S.



In Nashville, Tennessee during the first week of January, Sughrue and her fellow trainees received an intensive tutorial about issues surrounding climate change personally conducted by Mr. Gore, with the assistance of renowned scientists and environmental educators, based on his computer-based slide show and the basis for his best-selling book and documentary film, "An Inconvenient Truth." Trainees were selected from thousands of unsolicited applications and covered their own transportation and accommodation expenses; they represented all fifty states and diverse backgrounds, including many scientists, physicians, educators, the business sector, religious communities, government representatives and recognized environmental groups.



Sughrue, who spent over 27 years in the corporate insurance arena in Portland, believes that addressing climate change is truly *global* risk management in action. As a member of The Climate Project team, she has agreed to give the presentation at least ten times in the area in 2007 and discuss how individuals, businesses, schools, and other organizations can be a major part of the solution to the growing crisis of global warming.

Sughrue also volunteers with the Northwest Earth Institute and recently participated in the development of their new four-week **GLOBAL WARMING: CHANGING CO₂URSE** discussion guide for the workplace, faith center or home (see www.NWEI.org).

For more information on The Climate Project or to schedule a presentation for a group of 50 or more, contact theclimateproject@sustain-nw.com.

Top Photo: Sughrue with Jenny Clad, Project Director; Bill Bradbury; and Tim Greeff, Natural Resources Defense Council.

Middle Photo: Sughrue with Mr. Gore.

Bottom Photo: Sughrue discussing The Earth Charter with Mr. Gore.

