

*Global Warming Solutions Acts in the Northeast* – David Farnsworth Regulatory Assistance Project

Presentation briefly considers examples of Global Warming Solutions-type acts including statutes in

- Massachusetts
- Maine
- Connecticut
- New York
- Vermont

Concludes that State GWSA efforts are

- Extensive undertakings
- Evidence that states
  - Understand that their entire economies will be affected by climate change,
  - Recognize that certain communities will be more immediately or deeply affected,
- Establish useful framework for
  - Information gathering and
  - Publicly exploring strategies to
    - reduce GHG emissions,
    - ensure statewide adaptation, and
    - ensure equitable and just power sector transitions
- Evidence that individual states are determined to make a difference