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CBIS Encouraged by BP Commitment to Tackle Fossil Fuel Emissions

Nearly 20-year engagement by CBIS and coalition partners results in industry-leading action by company

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Key points of engagement between CBIS and BP



¹ CBIS co-filed resolution raising awareness about environmental impacts and effects on indigenous populations from tar sands production. ² CBIS co-filed resolution requiring BP to inform shareholders of risks from climate change. ³ CBIS co-filed resolution at AGM to align BP business plan with the Paris Agreement. It received 99% support.

The Power of Engagement – Since 2002, CBIS has been engaged with BP on a range of environmental and climate issues, beginning with the campaign to protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from drilling.

"It's been a long but ultimately rewarding journey – and it is thanks to interactions with investor and faith groups over the years, including you and your colleagues, that we've made it and made it so far."

Paul H. Jefferiss, BP Head of Policy

"It is gratifying to know that through our nearly 20-year engagement, CBIS played a role in the company's transformation through dialogue and resolutions, raising issues of core concern to Catholic investors."

Julie Tanner, CBIS Managing Director, Catholic Responsible InvestmentsSM

Progress Report: CBIS' Engagement of Oil Giant BP

Since 2002, CBIS has engaged BP on environmental and climate issues on behalf of CBIS investors-- now over 800 Catholic institutions worldwide. Throughout the engagement, BP has gradually shifted from reticence on its environmental responsibilities to the embrace of a sweeping program of "reimaging energy for people and our planet."

BP's February climate announcement included:

1. Cutting carbon emissions across its operations and corporate energy use to net-zero by 2050 (on an absolute basis)
2. Achieving net-zero emissions by 2050 or sooner on the fossil fuels it extracts and develops that customers emit when using its fuels (on an absolute basis)
3. Slashing the carbon intensity by 50% of the fossil fuels BP buys on the open market and resells to others (by 2050)
4. Measuring methane emissions at all major oil and gas processing sites by 2023, while reducing methane intensity in operations by 50%.

In addition, the company committed to lobby for public policies in support of net-zero carbon emissions and implement greater financial incentives for its workforce to achieve BP's climate goals. BP reviewed its relationships with 30 trade associations regarding climate change issues and is exiting three of them: the American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers, Western Energy Alliance, and Western States Petroleum Association.

Over the course of nearly two decades, CBIS has played a leadership role among shareholders and coalition members seeking more sustainable environmental practices from BP. In 2010 we filed our first shareholder resolution, joining a cross-border coalition of faith and SRI investors to raise

awareness about the impacts of tar sands development on the environment and on indigenous communities. In 2011 we led an effort on safety at BP sites that led to the board appointing a new chair of its environment committee. In 2015 our resolution, joining a cross-border coalition of faith and SRI investors to raise awareness about the impacts of tar sands safety at BP sites that led to the board appointing a new chair of its environment committee. In 2015 our resolution on climate change risk reporting and other commitments earned board support and passed with 99% of votes in favor. The 2019 resolution, co-filed by CBIS, earned 99% support in favor of aligning the BP business plan to the Paris Agreement. BP's pledge to achieve carbon neutrality represents a groundbreaking milestone and cultural shift for BP, influenced in no small part by CBIS and fellow coalition partners.

BP management emphasized that its environmental initiatives are consistent with the company's goals for shareholder value creation. "We have to change. And we want to change," said BP CEO Bernard Looney. "This is the right thing for the world and for BP."

"CBIS welcomes BP's commitment to be net-zero by 2050 and tackle the climate crisis head on," said Julie Tanner, CBIS Managing Director of Catholic Responsible InvestmentsSM. "But our work is far from over—we will continue to engage and call on BP and all companies to take urgent action in this decade by making

dramatic cuts in emissions, increasing investments in renewables, exiting carbon intensive business lines and developing solutions in line with the challenges we face.

"The BP announcement demonstrates what we do best," said Ms. Tanner, "identifying linchpin companies with the potential to transform industries and public policy and through engagement and encouraging superior performance, set a goal of achieving systemic change. While the company's announcement represents a bold move, the rate of change must be accelerated if we are to safeguard biodiversity, protect the poor and marginalized, and ensure the health of our planet for future generations."

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