Seattle City Council unanimously prohibits coal exports from Port of Seattle.

US EPA announces regional haze rules which cause shutdown of aging US coal fired power generation.

Oregon governor calls on US EPA to assess emissions from coal exported to China. EPA asks to perform same environmental assessment.
Assess the facts, trends and preempt the complaints

CCS legislation in Wyoming
  Who owns the property rights?
  Who is going to regulate, and how?

Effects of legislation
  Created certainty where there was none.
  Answered the questions for the market
  Created a model regulatory structure
What are the facts and trends?
More energy will be used.
Technology will change the way the energy is used.
Electricity is a transport mechanism.
Pollution follows a predictable pattern.
More Facts and Trends

At the core, we all want the same things – health, family, work, quality of life.
Use of energy is good.

IEA 2010, Clemente 2012
Some things don’t matter

Whatever one believes about global climate change …
World wide demand for energy will demand worldwide solutions.

No one country can tackle the issues alone. Research and technological development is the necessary to address potential stresses as people’s standards of living increase.

Education on the advantages of using energy

Those who have should not lecture . . . Monumental steps

Life quality, life expectancy and infant survival increase with penetration of electricity.
Final Words

We must bring certainty to the market. Communication is the key to good policy. We will need all sources of energy to address energy poverty.