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Driving progress
through partnership

What we'll cover:

- **International climate change...**
- **...and its effects on domestic federal policy**
- **Federal air topics:**
 - Source Aggregation
 - Methane Flaring Rule
 - MATS Rule
 - The Battle of Los Angeles (California vs. Feds on vehicle emissions)
- **Misc., Q&A, Potpourri**

International Climate Change...

- **What's going on in the world?**
 - IPCC and COP24 update
 - Worldwide protest movement
- **Zooming in on implementation:**
 - European examples—France, Germany, Ireland
 - Efforts at implementation, friction, and backlash
 - Asian initiatives—what will Russia and China do? Why does it matter?
 - Actions (how and when?)
 - Consequences (what and why?)

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...Domestic Impacts

- ***Au Revoir Paris (two years later)***
 - What happened?
 - Why did it happen?
 - What happens now?
- **U.S. Participation at COP24**
 - Two teams—
 - Federal vs. 'local'
 - Trends and results
- **Fourth National Climate Assessment**
 - What is it?
 - What does it mean for domestic policy?

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Domestic Impacts cont.

- **The “Green New Deal”**
 - What is it?
 - ~~Why?~~ (not touching this...)
 - What does it say/do?
 - Where is it going?

Federal Air Topics

- **Aggregation**
 - Source Aggregation—The Wehrum Letter
 - Project Aggregation—Industry Perspective
- **Methane Flaring Rule**
 - Finalization and litigation update
- **Mercury and Air Toxics Standard (MATS Rule)**
 - Proposed changes and pushback
- **CARB vs. the Feds—a battle over vehicle emissions**
 - Why does it matter in PA? (Section 177 State)

Wrapping it all up...

- **Climate change and air quality trends to look for:**
 - International vs. Domestic—what challenges does it present?
 - Public (regulation) vs. Private (business and economics)—who or what is moving the needle?
 - Federal vs. 'local'—who's the sovereign anyway?
- **Misc., Q&A, Potpourri**