

# **REPORT FROM UFC**

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# Report from University Faculty Committee

- American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment Implementation Committee (PCCIC)
  - Signed by President Skorton in Feb. 2007
  - Commits Cornell to achieving climate neutrality as soon as possible

# Questions

- How will this commitment affect
  - Our teaching?
  - Our research?
  - Our outreach?
  - Our daily commute?
  - Our travel to meetings?
  - The university budget?
- What has been accomplished so far?

## Climate Action Plan Updates

### **GHG Inventory Summary**

#### **4 required Inventory Components for the PCC**

##### **On-site Fossil Fuels**

Heating over 14 million Gross Square Feet  
176,000 metric tons (55%)



##### **Purchased Electricity**

Over 230 million kwh  
87,000 metric tons (27%)



##### **Commuting**


Over 3 million gallons of gasoline  
29,000 metric tons (9%)



##### **Air Travel**

Over 40 million miles  
27,000 metric tons (8%)



**Total Footprint:** 319,000 metric tons 

## Climate Action Plan

- **A target date for achieving climate neutrality.**
- **Interim targets.**
- **Actions to make climate neutrality and sustainability a part of the curriculum and other educational experience for all students.**
- **Actions to expand research or other efforts necessary to achieve climate neutrality.**

# Agenda Item for May 13 Meeting

- Presidents Climate Commitment Implementation Committee Report
  - Tim Fahey, Professor of Natural Resources
  - Kyu Whang, VP Services & Facilities