



*We urge Virginia to encourage retrofitting (updating) of older buildings to increase energy efficiency and reduce energy demand as necessary according to optimal IPCC pathways:*

- a. **Virginia should invest in sectors where technology options for reducing emissions are limited**, such as shipping, trucks, aviation, and heavy industries like steel, cement, and chemicals. Decarbonizing these sectors will largely demand the development of new technologies not yet in use.
- b. It is crucial that the wave of investment to restart the economy is **dedicated to cleaner and more resilient energy** to prevent the rebound in emissions to be larger than the decline.

