



#### **Channeling Philanthropic Capital to Climate Solutions**

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- 1. Welcome (3 minutes) Edward Saltzberg, Security and Sustainability Forum
- 2. Framing and introduction (5 minutes) Dr. Elizabeth Cantwell, ASU

#### 3. Panelist presentations (40 minutes)

- o Heather Martin, Edwards Mother Earth Foundation
- Nick Flores, Caprock
- Matthew Nordan, PRIME Coalition
- o Catha Groot, Radicle Impacts
- 4. Panel Discussion (15 minutes)
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## **Impact Investing**

Heather Martin Oct 20, 2013 Presentation to EMEF Board



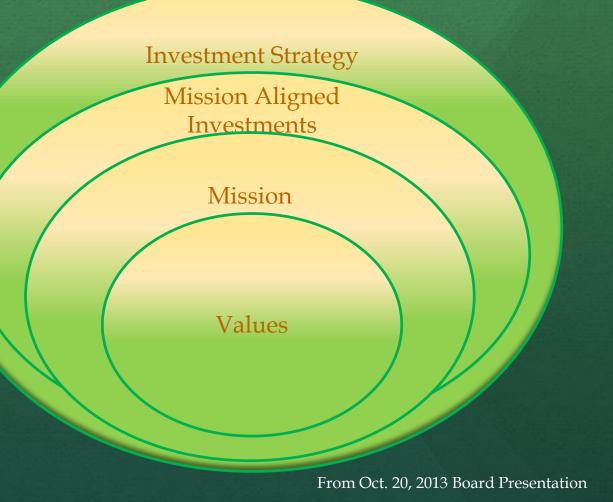
EMEF - SRI

## **Impact Investing**

 Aligning a foundation's investments with it's mission while sustaining, and even increasing long-term financial return







## **Board Responsibilities**

- Each foundation trustee is a fiduciary and has a legal duty to fulfill this role
- We are steward's of EMEF's assets and need to know
  - How much do we have?
  - Where are they invested?
  - How are they are being reviewed and modified?



## **EMEF's Investment Policy**

 Goal is to achieve sustainable returns to fund long-term grant-making objectives

• Social or "green" investments are incidental considerations



## **EMEF** Portfolio

#### Asset Allocation of \$33 Million Portfolio



Common StockBondsCash

### Stock Portfolio

#### **Common Stock**

Consumer
Industrial
Technology
Health
International
Financial
Energy/Utilities
Other

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## **Investigation Process**

• Reviewed our investment positions

• Reviewed resource materials

• Researched variety of firms

• Made connections

## **Foundation Assets**





■ Endowment ■ Grants

### **Mission Related Investments**

**Proxy Voting** 

Shareholder Engagement

Program Related Investing

CD

Screening Public Equities/Bonds Private Equity / Venture / Angel Investing

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## CDFI & S/H Advocacy

 Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI)

- CD investment at banks that get involved in community projects that support our mission.

• Shareholder Advocacy

- filing resolutions with company management to influence their business practices





## **Program Related Investments**



# • Qualifies as part of 5% asset distribution requirement

- Primary intent must be to align investment with mission, not to obtain yield
- Returns are recycled back into endowment

## **Screening Investments**

 Socially Responsible Investments (SRIs) using environmental, social and governance screening (ESG)



## Venture Capital

#### Investing in start-up companies that are actively pursuing a green energy mission





## Are MRIs more Risky?



### The Answer is.....



## Who We Contacted

#### **Private Sector**

- Core Capital Management
- RBC Wealth Management
- Solar Mosaic

#### **Non-Profits**

- As You Sow
- Impact Finance Collaborative
- Confluence Philanthropy

## Recommendations



- Network with funders and philanthropic affinity groups
- Utilize As You Sow campaigns to vote our current positions in line with our mission
- Invest in Solar Mosaic's 1-yr working capital option
- Invite presentations to the board in the spring such as:

- RBC Wealth Management, Solar Mosaic, Impact Finance Collaborative

• Consider becoming members of Confluence Philanthropy?

#### **Security & Sustainability Forum**:

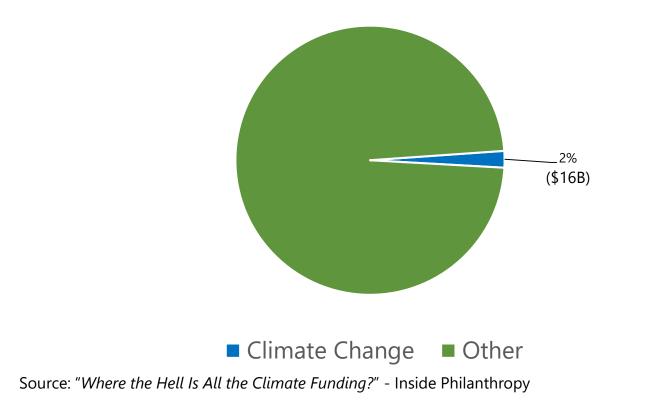
Edwards Mother Earth Foundation

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### Foundations' Grant Focus

#### Endowment Assets ~ \$800 Billion



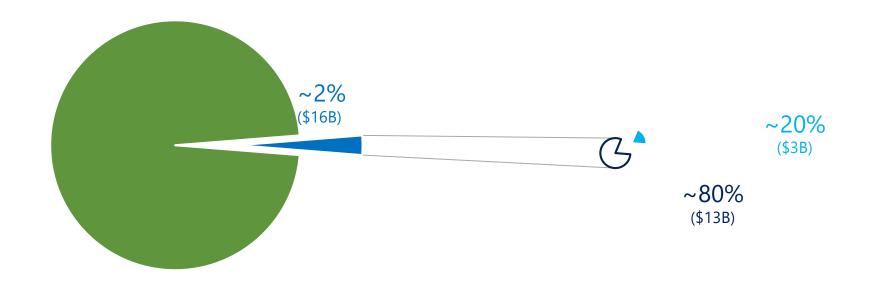
Insufficient philanthropic capital combatting climate change



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Traditional Investments Impact Investments Public Securities Private Investments

Insufficient capital going toward impact investments – particularly those with the highest likelihood for change



### **Perceived Barriers**

• Impact investing as a nascent discipline

• Limited investment opportunities

• Fiduciaries must focus on financial returns

• Fear of the unfamiliar



### No More Excuses

• Impact investing as a nascent discipline

• Limited investment opportunities

• Fiduciaries must focus on financial returns

• Fear of the unfamiliar

• >10 years investing in similar structures

- 445 funds in ImpactBase, many with an emphasis on climate change
- IRS permits pursuit of environmental goals consistent with charitable purpose
- Increased data, success stories, & case studies together demystify the discipline



### Case Study

Edited by Nick Flores

AN IMPACT INVESTMENT CASE STUDY

Edwards Mother Earth Foundation opens the books on its impact investments





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Grantmakers Strengthening Philanthropy



Edwards Mother Earth Foundation

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### **Edwards Mother Earth Foundation**

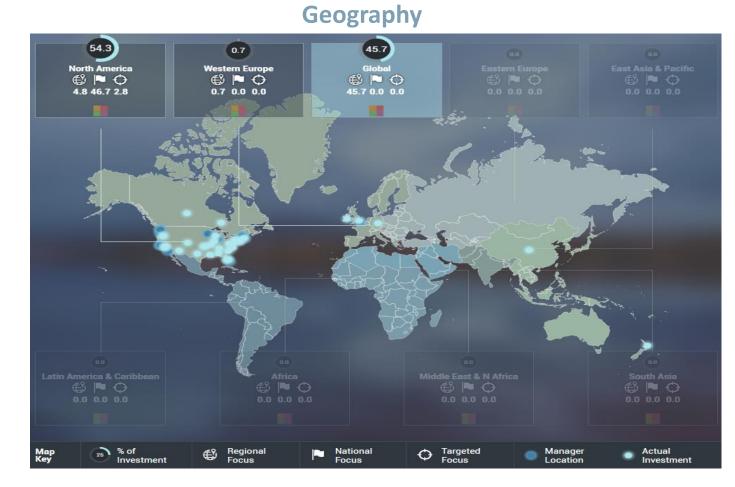
- ~\$35 million endowment
- "Dedicated to enhancing the sustainability and diverse quality of life by addressing global climate disruption"
- Long-term target return: 8.0% annualized
- Before: public securities, including positions such as Chevron, Royal Dutch Shell, Statoil
- Now: 100% invested for impact
  - Mission-aligned public equities, with full divestiture
  - Investment-grade bonds with environmental focus
  - Energy efficient & net zero housing (single- and multi-family)
  - Renewable energy: debt + equity, development + operating assets
  - Sustainable timberland & aquaculture
  - VC & growth equity: EV networks, battery control systems, green chemistry...
  - Cleantech secondaries
  - Program-related investments (PRIs)



### EMEF Impact Portfolio



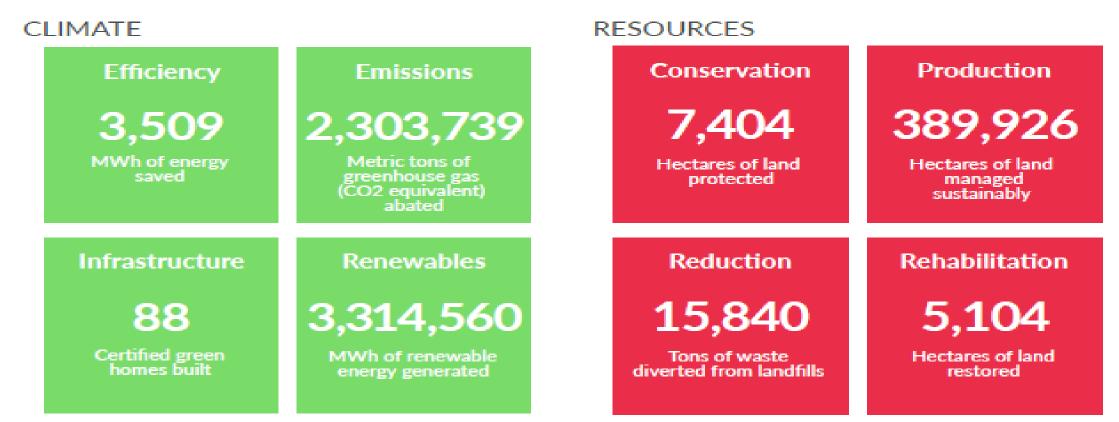
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Source: Impact Portfolio Assessment & Reporting (iPAR)



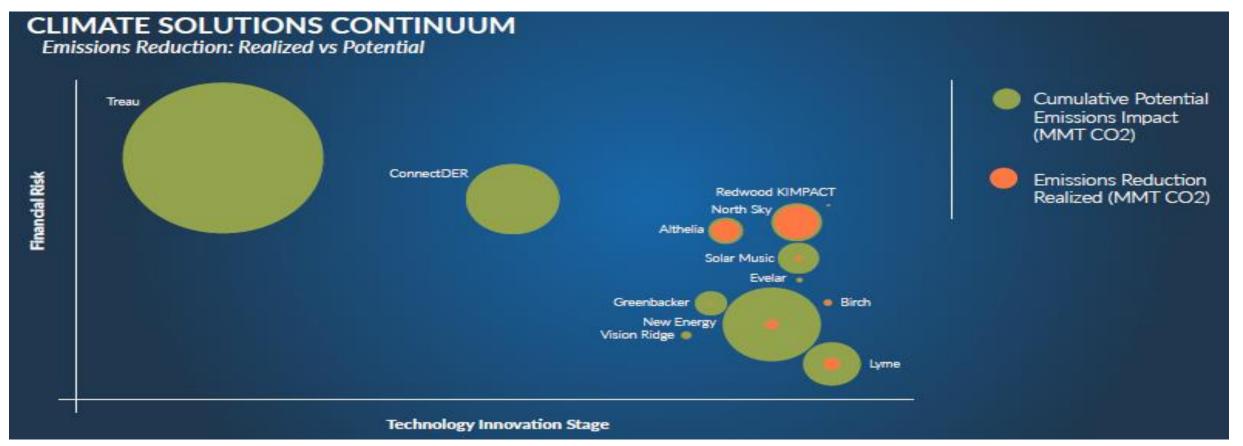
### EMEF Environmental Impact to Date



Source: Impact Portfolio Assessment & Reporting (iPAR)



### **EMEF Emissions Reduction Potential**



Source: PRIME Coalition





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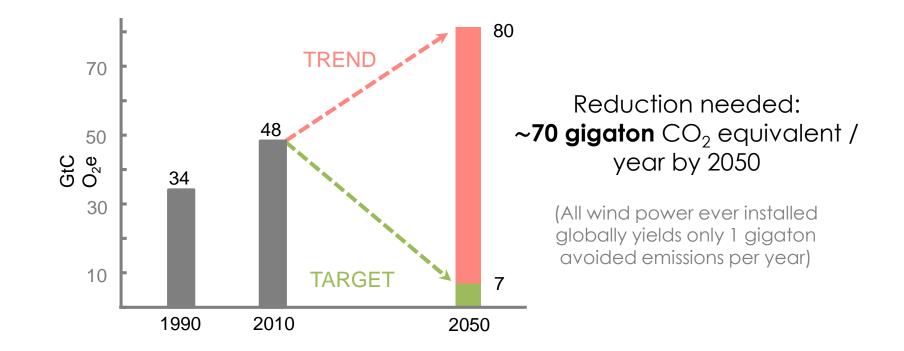
## **PRIME Impact Fund**

Matthew M. Nordan Managing Director PRIME Impact Fund



### Climate change is a complex, urgent global problem

We must emit massively less greenhouse gas alongside growing global energy consumption to avoid the worst effects of climate change



### Breakthroughs are not being developed into products at the pace we need

We must innovate in heavy infrastructure sectors to drastically reduce carbon emissions

> It takes decades to scale disruptive technologies to widespread deployment.

As a result, we must develop and demonstrate breakthrough climate technologies in the next 10-15

vears.

by 2050.

Unfortunately, traditional investment is optimized to support software/data and is not stepping up to support transformational opportunities.

Prime Impact Fund

October 2018







## 2010: Founded

## 2011: Product

## 2013: 1 billion kWh saved



2014: Bought by Google ,\$3.2B















U.S. family foundation assets alone



Annual grantmaking activity

# NOT IN THE GAME





### Empowering philanthropists to place charitable capital into market-based solutions to climate change.

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PRIME has partnered with philanthropists to back 10 start-ups to date, mobilizing >\$20MM







Wright Electric



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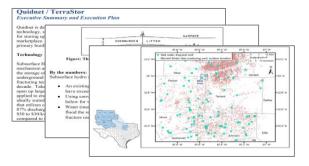
## MALLINDA





### Case study: Quidnet Energy

2012: Raw concept



2015-17: PRIME funding & support



Unfundable by VCs – too early, too risky \$1.5MM, levered by \$800k in-kind services from

HALLIBURTON

Q4 2017: CEO recruited



Veteran of VCbacked energy storage success May 2018: \$7.5MM Series A



Early investors sold secondary at 2-4x return



## Our next step: The PRIME Impact Fund

A \$20MM-\$40MM **impact-first vehicle**, supporting companies:



with transformative climate impact potential



that are unlikely to raise capital without our support ("additionality")



that can be scaled by returns-driven capital after being de-risked



## Thank you

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## VISION

Prove a sustainable model for venture impact investing and migrate \$1 billion to our investment model over time.

## radicle

## ('ra-di-kəl):

The primary root of a seed.



## **Radicle Impact's Focus Areas**

### Good Food

Create an equitable and regenerative food system that promotes healthy diets, regenerates soil and ensures access Build a fair and transparent financial services system with fairly priced credit, products that promote savings and greater transparency

Good Energy Develop a sustainable and just energy system with a resilient grid, efficient energy use and clean generation, supply chains and transportation



#### **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**

/ Improve gender and racial representation in leadership; share power with marginalized groups and sustain biodiversity



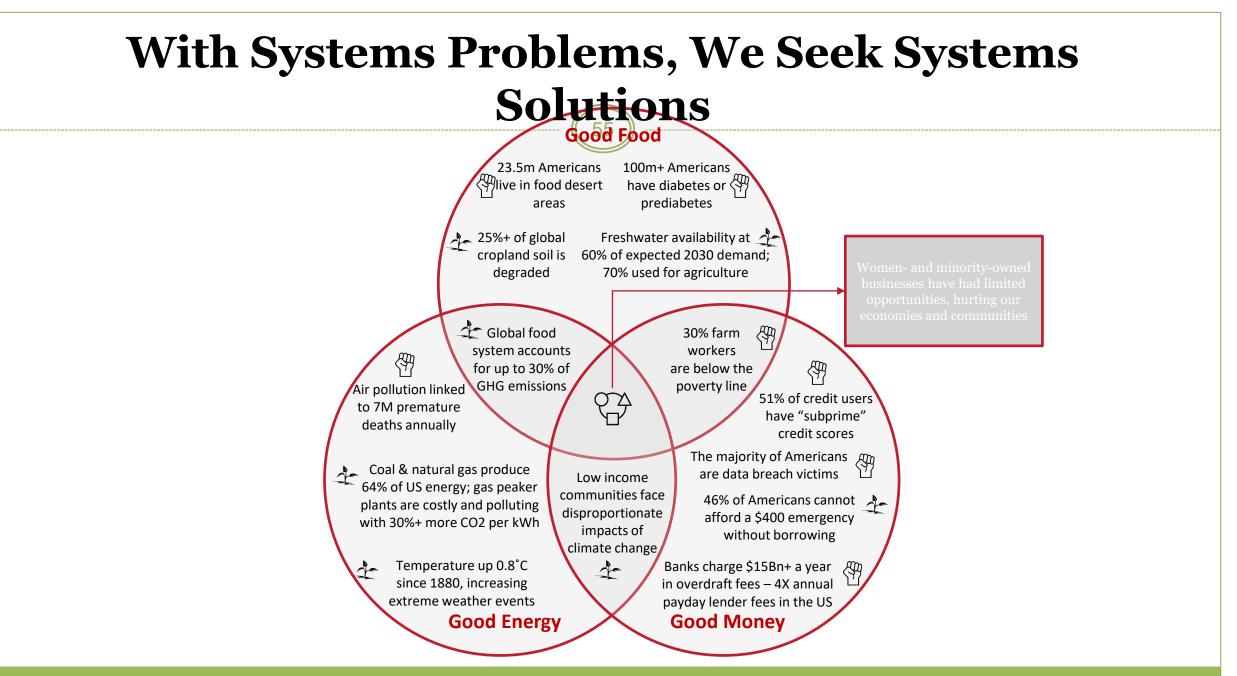
#### Empowerment

Increase individual and community choices to enable upward mobility, self-determination, and mutualism



#### Resilience

Build resilient communities and protect naturally resilient ecosystems to respond to and recover from adversity



Sources: World Resources Institute, UN FAO, CDC, American Lung Association, US Federal Reserve, CFPB, Center for Responsible Lending, Feeding America, various studies

## Our Ecosystem Focuses on a Spectrum of Solutions

### FOUNDATION

#### TomKat Foundation

- Philanthropic foundation focused on good food, good money, good energy
- Provides grants to non-profits



#### University Research Institutes

- Research institutes at Harvard, Stanford and Yale focused on climate change solutions.
- 25+ fellowships granted



TomKat Ranch

### 🚰 radicle impact



TomKat Ranch Education Foundation

- Learning laboratory for animal agriculture focused on climate stability, nature's benefits, healthy food, biodiversity, and community.
- Soil scientist on staff, partnership with Point Blue

#### Radicle Impact

- Early stage venture fund focused on good food, good money, good energy
- Invests in companies where financial returns drive measurable social and environmental outcomes

Beneficial State Bank & Foundation

- Triple bottom line bank promoting social justice and environmental resilience.
- 225 employees, \$850mm in assets
- Regulated by Fed, DBO, CFPB



## Our Team is Committed to System Change

#### Kat Taylor

- > Beneficial State Founder, Co-CEO & Co-Chair
- TomKat Ranch Educational Foundation, Founding Director
- ➢ Harvard University Board of Trustees
- Board member at Agriculture Sustainability Institute, Good Samaritan, Ecotrust and Forager Project
- Grid Alternatives National Advisory Committee
- Crocker Bank
- Stanford MBA, JD; Harvard BA

## Dan Skaff > Beneficial State Co-CEO & Vice Chairman > Board member at Latino Community Foundation and Bay Area Council

- and Bay Area Council ➤ SF Federal Reserve Bank Advisory Board
- > Marin Community Foundation IC Chair
- > Glu Mobile Co-Chair; Pon North America Chair
- ➢ Sienna Ventures, Bankers Trust, Bank of America
- > Wharton MBA; Harvard BA



#### Catha Groot

- Personal Capital
- Physic Ventures
- Rockefeller Group Investment Management
- ➢ UBS Investment Bank
- Stanford MBA; Princeton BA



#### Ami Naik

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- J.P. Morgan Investment Bank
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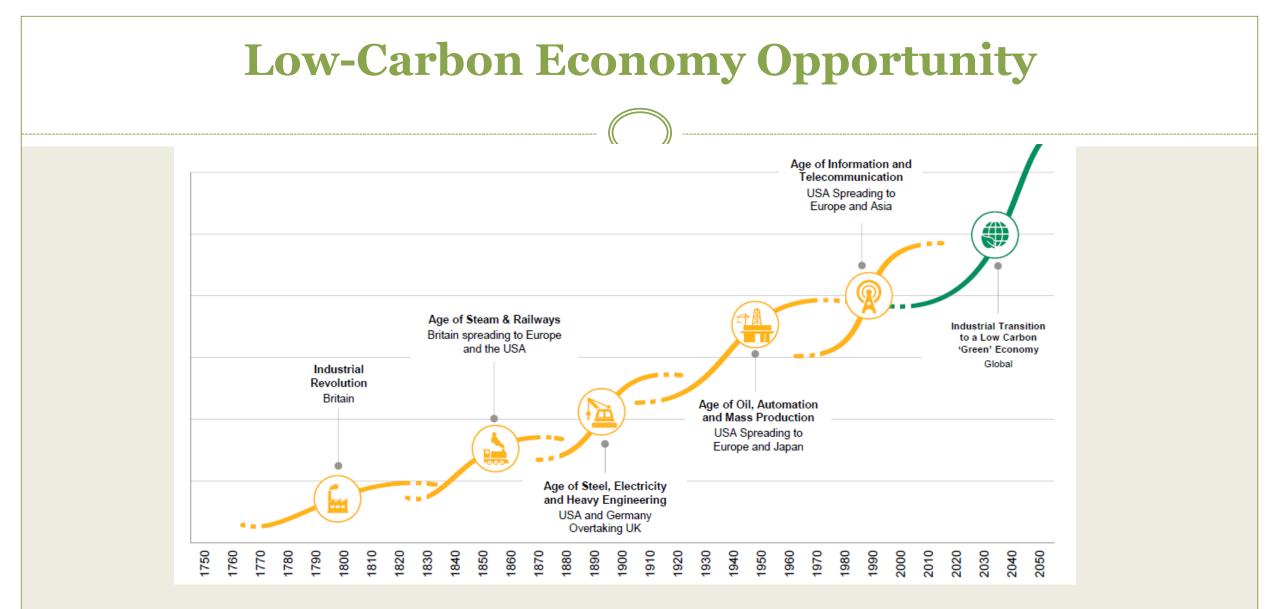


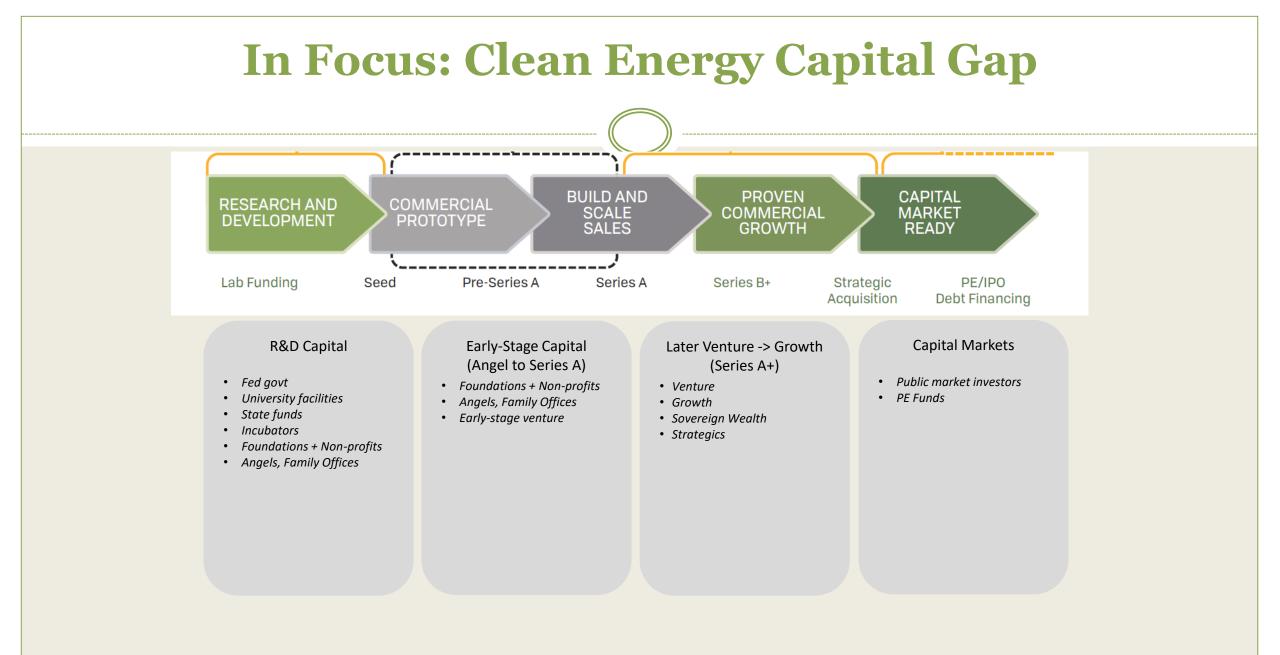
#### **Corey Vernon**

- ING Capital Appleby Capital
- Openx (digital/mobile ad technology)
- University of Virginia BS

Our team combines 60+yrs of operating and investment experience in relevant sectors, including 35+ years of venture investing and investment management. We have added strategic value to 40+ growth and impact organizations through Board directorships.

### CLEAN ENERGY FOCUS







### Divergent Technologies – The Future of Manufacturing



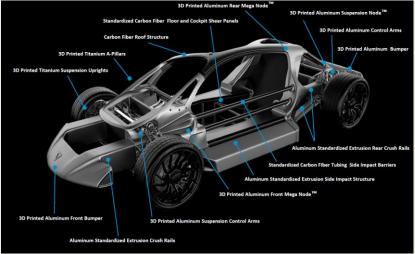


#### **Impact Summary**

- Transportation is #1 source of GHG emissions in the US; manufacturing of cars causes 10-30% of lifetime GHG emissions and over 50% of health damages relating to cars
- Divergent's light-weight vehicle structure could improve GHG emissions from operations by up to 10% and PM, NOX, SOX and VOCsof manufacturing by 50%+

#### Key Highlights

- Divergent has re-imagined the design and manufacturing of cars to reduce the capital needs and negative environmental externalities.
- First company to successfully apply 3D printing technology to mass-manufacturing commercial parts in the auto sector.
- Well-positioned with partners to be key pillar of China's next-gen auto manufacturing infrastructure.
- Invested in Series A and Series B



## Ripple Foods – Disruption of Traditional D **IIpple**



#### **Impact Summary**

- Dairy is responsible for 4% of GHG emissions and 20% of water use of animal agriculture
- Primary current product is milk and yogurt made with yellow pea protein
  - Ripple produces 86% less GHG emissions than almond milk and 74% less than dairy milk (on a protein per gallon of milk basis)
  - Ripple uses 93X less water than almond milk and 28X less than dairy

#### Key Highlights

- Founders Adam Lowry and Neil Renninger have strong track records in biotech and CPG brands.
- Invested pre-revenue based on conviction in the plant-based category, strength of dairy alternative market and defensible IP.
- Team's experience and relationships in traditional CPG distribution channels as critical component to accelerated sales growth.
- Invested in Series A, B and C round



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