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Qatalyst Partners Donates \$100,000 to the Environmental Defense Fund

How best to protect and preserve the environment has been a leading topic in the news in the last few days. The extent, scientific validity and cause of the problem, the best way to tackle it and the impact of various solutions on local and global economies have been debated extensively without consensus. The extremely polarized discussion, particularly in the last week, has aroused the best and the worst of human nature.

Cutting through the noise, we believe the political posturing overshadows the heart of the matter: that the Earth is in peril and has been made so by mankind. We believe in our responsibility to do something about it. We are alarmed at the impulse to pull back from the problem for whatever reason. We are inspired by our clients, who look at seemingly intractable problems and devise solutions that defy belief. They combine what is best about the American Spirit and the American Dream. We are hopeful because of them, and think that the baby steps of individuals and the big steps of innovation and transformation can take us on a journey to a better place (and planet).

We recognize the challenges - that it will cost more than our individual or collective resources can cover, will take longer than we wish to accomplish and the financial burden might not be equitably shared. Still, let's do what we can, and each contribute in some way towards a goal of saving our planet. For our part, Qatalyst is donating \$100,000 to the Environmental Defense Fund in confidence that they will use the funds wisely to further these goals, and in doing so, help preserve and extend American leadership globally in the technological innovations that will surely be required in the years to come.