

Anglican Consultative Council, ACC-14 Jamaica, May 2009

Resolution 14.15: Anglican Communion Environmental Network

Resolved, 11.05.09

The Anglican Consultative Council supports the Archbishop of Canterbury in his thoughtful reflection and witness in the areas of the environment, the global economy and our support of vulnerable people and communities, and encourages Provinces:

- a) to weigh the environmental as well as the financial costs of all church activities
- b) to assist transition to a carbon-neutral world by accepting, year on year, a five percent reduction in the carbon footprint of the Churches
- c) to celebrate a liturgical "Season of Creation" as an integral part of the church's yearly pattern of worship and teaching
- d) to advocate access to drinkable water as an inviolable human right
- e) to encourage faith communities to understand that energy is part of God's provision, and that renewable energy should become the standard and fossil fuels be used only when renewable energy is temporarily unavailable
- f) to provide means for Anglicans to develop competencies in environmental stewardship and theological reflection on the sustainability of creation and the appropriate use of science and technology
- g) to advocate sustainable restorative economies with national governments, the United Nations through the Anglican Observers Office, and local constituencies.