# Three Problems. One Proposal.

# Problem 1:

# Job Losses



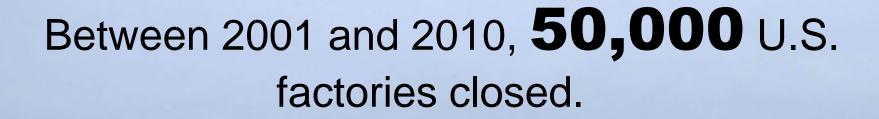
#### **Electrolux**







#### **Problem 1: Job Losses**





#### Problem 2: Climate Change



Major report warns climate change could raise temperatures by 10 degrees

The New York Times

January 8, 2013

Not Even Close: 2012 Was Hottest Ever in U.S.



#### **Problem 3: Congressional Gridlock**

Daily Bulletin New Congress, same gridlock?

Roll Call
Congressional Agenda Forecast: More Gridlock



Analysis: In era of gridlock, Congress "created a monster"

The Spokesman-Review
Gridlock in Congress a hot debate topic

#### Gridlock = terrible approval ratings

- Congress viewed as worse than:
- Lice, cockroaches
- Root canals
- France!
- Donald Trump, and ...
- Nickelback
- Good news: better than gonorrhea and meth labs!
- Source: PPP Polling, Jan 8, 2013



# What Obama Administration policy caused major policy changes in states across the country?

## **A Modest Proposal**

A Clean Energy Jobs Race to the Top

#### **Benefits**

- Respects the states and federalism
- Opt-in
- R and D governors will love it
- Busts through NIMBY & special interest hurdles
- Fosters innovation at the state level

## Requirements

- Funding Pot: \$4.5 B
- Price of entry into competition?
  - State CES of 80% by 2035

#### States receive bonus points for:

- SWOT analysis
- Biz and Education Partnerships
- Supply and <u>Demand</u> Strategies
- Regional Partnerships
- # Jobs Created

# How to Pay For It

#### Two ideas

1. Foundations/challenge

 Repatriation of offshore funds to capitalize clean energy bank

# Conclusion:

# Distributed Generation of Energy Policy

