



FRIENDS OF THE EARTH FOUNDATION

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Mr. Eliot Porter
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Dear Eliot,

Your having lent us your name so helpfully for Friends of the Earth's Advisory Council leads us to hope you will have no objection to helping our new Friends of the Earth Foundation the same way.

Both organizations have the same goal. The Foundation is seeking (and finding) funds to carry out the scientific, educational, and literary aspects which are tax-deductible. Thus the nondeductible (and therefore hard to get) dollars of Friends of the Earth, Inc., can be concentrated on nondeductible purposes, chiefly on substantial efforts to influence legislation. We are pleased that the Internal Revenue Service, after studying the complementary plans of the two organizations, gave us a favorable ruling last September, only five months after we applied for it.

We shall try to make your double burden no harder than your single burden. One thing we would like to do soon, however, is to invite as many of you as we can to a single meeting place so that we can hear you exchange ideas with each other and us about what we and you can do to recharge public interest in the only earth.

The Council Roster appears below. If for some reason you would rather not have the Foundation lean on you too, would you telephone me collect?

Sincerely,

David Brower
President

Harrison Brown	Duke Ellington	Karl Menninger	Noel Simon
Alexander Calder	Paul Ehrlich	Stephanie Mills	C.P. Snow
Charles Callison	Merlie Evers	Basil A. Paterson	Gary Snyder
Norman Cousins	Milton Glaser	George Plinton	Elvis J. Stahr
William H. Draper	Konrad Lorenz	Eliot Porter	Harriet Van Horne
		Peter Seeger	George Wald