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Ben Harper is Head of Corporate Sustainability for Zurich North America, a leading global insurer. In this position, Ben is responsible for coalescing Zurich's people and capabilities to create innovative solutions that advance the company's sustainability priorities of workforce in transition, climate resilience and confidence in a digital society. He works closely with Zurich's business units, functions, customers, government organizations, NGOs, industry groups and trading partners to influence, deliver, connect and prioritize the company's current sustainability activities.

Ben has more than 30 years of sustainability and insurance experience and has been with Zurich for 19 years. Most recently, he served as the global environmental subject matter expert in Technical Underwriting and as head of the pollution team responsible for providing technical, policy, strategy and underwriting guidance in support of environmental coverages. He has also been active in Zurich's climate, environmental, social and governance initiatives through product development, actuarial modeling, green investment advising and internal evaluations. He served as part of Zurich Group's Climate Office from 2009 to 2013 where his team developed products to address concerns ranging from renewable energy sources and carbon emissions to geologic sequestration. He has been a guest speaker and panelist at the United Nations and contributing expert to the International Energy Agency.

Ben has a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering and sits on sustainability advisory committees for the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), the National Academy of Sciences Transportation Research Board (TRB), Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS), Coalition for Climate Resilient Investment (CCRI) and others.