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Melhus has 25 years of private sector experience and extensive non-governmental organizational leadership, including multiple-year positions as executive director/board member of multi-stakeholder collaborative groups and single purpose NGOs. He served as executive director of the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Communities, a multi-stakeholder, collaborative group in the San Francisco Bay Area, from its creation in 1997 until mid 2004. He chaired the board of directors of the Silicon Valley Environmental Partnership from 1997 - 2004. He is a founding member of the board of directors and currently serves as treasurer and chief financial officer of Sustainable Silicon Valley. In 1998 he completed a 25-year career with Pacific Gas & Electric Company, the last eight directing environmental policy for the company.

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