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Butzel attorney Beth Gotthelf recently featured during International Women's Forum in Florida

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TROY, Mich. – **Butzel** attorney **Beth S. Gotthelf** was a featured speaker recently during a program presented by the International Women's Forum (IWF) and Suncoast Forums. The event, titled, "The Impact of Local and Global Climate Change," took place on May 25, 2022. A key program topic addressed climate shifts in the country, especially on the east coast of the country.

Gotthelf is Butzel's Director of Innovation and External Relations, Co-Chair of the Energy & Sustainability Practice, and Co-Chair of the Aerospace & Defense industry team.

She was recently appointed Chair of the Michigan Manufacturers Association (MMA) Environmental Policy Committee. Members actively monitor water, solid waste, remediation and other environmental issue areas to develop environmental policy priorities for MMA.

Gotthelf started her career in the environmental law arena and remains a leader to this date. She has served in a range of roles including general counsel to the Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Surface Finishers (1990-present). In 2021, Gotthelf received the National Association's prestigious Award of Merit. She created the first wetland bank in Michigan and has been active in a variety of enforcement cases both on behalf of government and industry, most involving multi-million dollar corrective actions. Her counseling includes compliance, emergency response, remediation, redevelopment, tax incentives, enforcement, occupational safety and health, and insurance coverage.

She has counselled the Association and its members on a wide variety of issues throughout the years providing solid, practical and timely insight on ever changing regulations and of late,

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COVID issues. She also has guided members through the many challenging PFAS impacts in the facility, air, wastewater, stormwater, and soil, not to mention the financial challenges. Her guidance and sage timely advice has helped members make good decisions to help them be successful in business.

Gotthelf brings a pragmatic and holistic approach to clients' issues, assisting them in reaching their business goals, often matchmaking clients' needs and acting as an outside general counsel.