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Each year, the *University of Richmond Law Review* hosts the Allen Chair Symposium—a conference dedicated to a topic of national and international interest. On October 18, 2013, the *Law Review* examined the “energy-water nexus” with experts from across the country bringing a wealth of experience and perspective. Discussions revealed how water laws influence energy security; how energy policy influences water security; how food security relates to energy and water management; and how tax and insurance policy influence the nexus. Discussions also addressed controversial issues like fracking and coal ash disposal and connected an emerging area of law—disaster law—with the nexus.

The articles and essays collected in this special issue grew out of the symposium and reflect the quality of the discussions led by our esteemed panelists. Thank you to our panelists: it was an honor to work with each of you. The *Law Review* greatly appreciates your contributions to our symposium and this issue. We particularly want to thank Mr. Alex Gilbert, Professor Keith Hall, Professor Donald Hornstein, Professor Rhett Larson, Professor Justin Pidot, and Ms. Andrea Wortzel for contributing to this issue and presenting at the symposium. In addition, thank you to Professor Victor Flatt, Ms. Heather Payne, and Dr. Benjamin Sovacool who contributed articles, and thank you to Professor Gabriel Eckstein, Professor Joshua Fershee, Professor Shi-Ling Hsu, Professor Uma Outka, Professor Melissa Powers, and Mr. Jefferson Reynolds who shared their expertise at the symposium.

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To our readers and symposium attendees: thank you as well. The *Law Review* proudly presents its 2014 Allen Chair Symposium Issue: *The Energy-Water Nexus*.

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