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Update [2006-6-22 13:55:37 by Leanan]: The <u>Discovery Times</u> documentary channel is airing <u>Addicted To Oil: Thomas L. Friedman Reporting</u>, on June 24, 2006, 10:00 PM EDT.

Thomas L. Friedman, Pulitzer Prize winning foreign affairs columnist, explores his ideas for a "Geo-Green Alternative," a multi-layered strategy to manage problems from funding terrorist supporters through gasoline purchases to strengthening th... [sic]

More info here.

Update [2006-6-22 11:4:50 by Leanan]: Kuwaiti opposition against raising oil output

"Kuwaiti national interests will not be served by increasing production"

KUWAIT CITY (AFP) - The Kuwaiti opposition plans to reject a government strategy to raise oil production capacity in the light of reports that the emirate's reserves are half the announced figure, a leading opposition candidate has said.

Update [2006-6-22 9:11:54 by Leanan]: Podcast - Kunstler: When Energy Demand Exceeds Supply - Impacts on Transportation and Cities

On April 19th, 2006, the University of Winnipeg, Centre for Sustainable Transportation, and the Institute of Urban Studies, presented a symposium and free public lecture featuring **James Howard Kunstler**, author of *The Long Emergency*. We bring you highlights from James Howard Kunstler's speech at the Winnipeg Art Gallery in Winnipeg, Canada.

Download the audio at Planetizen. (MP3, 8 Mb)

Update [2006-6-22 9:27:21 by Leanan]: Chaos as fuel prices shoot up in Zanzibar:

...An incident involving a Chukwani bound bus bearing registration number ZNZ 31948 forced it to a stop midway and all passengers who had objected to the new rates disembark.

At Darajani central bus terminal which is normally congested with commuters, only a few people could be seen as most of them had elected to walk.

Brazil's Ipiranga Halts Refining as Oil Prices Rise:

Refinaria de Petroleo Ipiranga SA, Brazil's second-largest oil company, said it halted refining operations because it can't raise fuel prices in Brazil enough to cover the cost of imported crude oil.

In Uganda, the frequent power outages are causing the price of manufactured goods to rise.

In Nigeria, Shell is against the use of military force. Also, the Philippine government says negotiations are ongoing for the release of two Filipino oil workers abducted by armed militants.

Carnegie Mellon researchers think switchgrass is the answer.

<u>California sets "clean energy" oil tax on ballot</u>. The proposal would tax oil production in order to fund alternative energy.

The Daily Reckoning is not impressed by oil shale.

And in Scotland, they're turning roads and parking lots into solar panels.

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