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An Interview with Bill Powers

Bill Powers, an energy analyst and energy-focused investment manager, talks about issues relating to peak oil, natural gas, alternative energy and more.

Stunning news: OPEC is beginning to fear biofuels. An industry publication claims OPEC thinks by 2050, the value of a barrel of oil will be zero, with oil completely replaced by biofuels. (Is really fear of biofuels, though - or acknowledgement of peak oil?)

<u>Airlines may be nearing ceiling on fares</u>: Industry faces issue of whether consumers will pay to cover fuel costs.

Simplicity and resourcefulness pick up the slack in our lower energy future

Afghan Capital Faces Energy Crunch

Afghanistan's capital, Kabul, faces a crippling energy shortage with basic electricity only available six hours a day. Officials say demand is soaring, but international support for the city's energy needs is being cut and widespread power outages are expected throughout the coming winter.

<u>Antarctica Under Siege</u>: Icy Continent Faces Threats From Countries Vying For Oil And Other Minerals.

Some here have wondered where to find or post peak oil-related art, fiction, poetry, etc. This could be the answer: Where are the poets? A peak oil rallying cry to artists.

...at <u>So Long</u>, <u>Hydrocarbon Man</u>, we will now take submissions of poems, short films, short stories and images that speak to the realities of peak oil, climate change and life at the end of the era of Hydrocarbon Man. Visit the site and read our submission guidelines. Spread the word to artists: a challenge has been issued to create stories that tell the truth about where we are and ones that imagine the possibilities of where we can go from here.

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