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### [The End of the Oil Era Looms](#)

Oil, uranium, gold and platinum are more sought after than ever today. The search for natural resources is becoming increasingly difficult and prices are soaring. But future growth of the world economy depends on these natural resources -- and some will soon disappear forever.

### [Debate swirls around fossil fuel's demise](#)

U.S. Rep. Tom Udall and others in Congress have positioned themselves at the center of an uncomfortable idea: Eventually the planet will run out of fossil fuels.

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It follows that long after the gas stations of America close down and the cars that once filled up at them have been converted to garden pergolas and jungle gyms for the wee ones, a few absurdly rich people will still have some oil or gasoline. It will have become so expensive by then that they will keep it in their wine cellars next to their bottles of Château Lafite-Rothschild. Thus, in the strictest sense we will never, as simple-minded optimists insist, run out of oil.

### [Are we ready for a world without oil? Not a chance](#)

### [Executive warns of energy disaster](#)

The president and chief executive officer of one of the nation's largest energy companies warned that the United States is heading toward "an energy train wreck" unless it immediately begins work on projects that will take years to finance and complete.

## [Make Room For Bikes On Rail Cars](#)

Last month the State Bond Commission approved \$459 million toward the largest purchase of rail cars in state history - 300 new M8s (with an option to purchase 80 more) from Kawasaki Rail Car Inc. and \$25 million toward refurbishing existing rail cars. Initial delivery for new cars is due in 2009.

The good news is that these cars are designed to run not only on Metro-North Railroad's New Haven line, but also on the state Department of Transportation's Shore Line East corridor.

The bad news is that the design for the M8 cars does not yet include dedicated space for bicycles.

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## [Tribal rebels bomb gas pipeline amid protests in Pakistan](#)

## [Malaysia: Good times just keep rolling on for oil and gas workers](#)

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