



Wow. Peak Oil Is on The History Channel. (or, the "Megadisasters: Oil Apocalypse" Open Thread)

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Tonight, November 13th, (at 11 p.m. EST/PST - 10 p.m. CST), the History Channel presented Megadisasters: Oil Apocalypse, a documentary that Los Angeles-based filmmaker Martin Kent is calling "a wake up call," about the world's energy crisis. "We can no longer count on getting all the gasoline we need -- and there's no plan B." (Here's a link to the History Channel site.) *Consider this an open thread to discuss the show*.

and, as John said in the DrumBeat:

...to get an energy bill passed this week, the House and Senate leaders are reported to have removed the tax credit extensions and provisions for solar and wind, and removed a nationwide mandate for 15% renewable energy, the so called renewable electricity standard.

On this site focused on energy, how could one justify spending any time here without allowing 20 minutes of that time to call 5 people (Pelosi, Reid and your Senators and representative) on energy?

Amen, brother. (more under the fold.)

Think your voice doesn't matter? You're right it doesn't. It's when there are thousands calling Congress that it matters. That's why you should call.

So I called Offices of Pelosi and Reid, + 2 senators and one representative this morning. Total time used = 18 minutes (0.06% of time spent reading TOD so far). They simply let you go on for as long as you want, register your opinion, and that's it. No debates. Persist to speak to someone.

Simply explain that eliminating renewable energy provisions (tax credits) and a 15% renewable electricity standard would be disastrous policy decision and you strongly oppose (or not) making those changes. I said AGW and peak oil production are driving this, resource depletion, while near trillion dollars annually leaving the country to pay for oil.

Certainly don't miss an opportunity to say something about a new renewable fuel standard passed by the Senate and now in the energy bill, that would raise the standard

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to 36 billion gallons of ethanol by 2022. Personally, I think this is as stupid a proposal as suing OPEC for antitrust violations, nonetheless both remain in the bill.

Hell say whatever you want. But say something to the people who otherwise will assume no one out there cares enough to call in. The fix may be in, I was told, but this will come back to haunt Congress next November.

Call

Pelosi's offices: 202-225-4965 Reid's office's: 202-224-3542 Congressional switchboard: 202-224-3121 or find contact info by http://yahoo.capwiz.com/y/dbq/officials/

As Eric noted, see http://www.energybulletin.net/37082.html, and recent articles pertaining to energy bill: http://www.renewableenergyaccess.com/rea/news/story?id=50527 http://www.iht.com/articles/2007/11/12/business/oil.php http://www.bloomberg.com/apps/news? pid=20601103&sid=a52LvWyrd010&refer=us# http://www.heraldextra.com/content/view/243213/4/ http://online.wsj.com/article/SB119463316090988184.html?mod=googlenews_wsj

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