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## Background Information from an Independent Perspective

Ontario ( pronounced /ɒnˈtɛəri.əs/ ) is a province located in east-central Canada, the largest by population[ and second largest, after Quebec, in total area. ( Nunavut and the Northwest Territories are larger but are not provinces. ) Ontario is bordered by the provinces of Manitoba to the west and Quebec to the east, and the U.S. states (from west to east) of Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania ( both across Lake Erie ), and New York to the south and east. Most of Ontario's borders with the United States are natural, starting at the Lake of the Woods and continuing through four of

the Great Lakes: Superior, Huron ( which includes Georgian Bay ), Erie, and Ontario, then along the Saint Lawrence River near Cornwall. Ontario is the only Canadian province that borders the Great Lakes. For analytical purposes Ontario is often broken into two regions, Northern Ontario, and Southern Ontario.

The capital of Ontario is Toronto, Canada's most populous city and metropolitan area. Ottawa, the capital of Canada, is located in Ontario as well. The 2006 Census counted 12,960,282 residents in Ontario, which accounted for 38.5% of the national population.

The province takes its name from Lake Ontario, which is thought to be derived from Ontarí:io, a Huron ( Wyandot ) word meaning " great lake ", or possibly skanadario which means " beautiful water " in Iroquoian. Along with New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec, Ontario is one of the four original provinces of Canada when the federal nation was created July 1, 1867, when the British North America Act, 1867 ( or ' BNA ' ) came into force. Upon achievement of full independence from the United Kingdom in 1982, the BNA was re-christened the Constitution Act, 1867.

Ontario is Canada's leading manufacturing province accounting for 52% of the total national manufacturing shipments in 2004. Ontario's largest trading partner is the American State of Michigan.

Ontario has traditionally operated under a three-party system. In the last few decades the liberal Ontario Liberal Party, conservative Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, and social-democratic Ontario New Democratic Party have all ruled the province at different times.

Ontario is currently under a Liberal government headed by Premier **Dalton McGuinty**. The present government, first elected in 2003, was re-elected on 10 October 2007. It is affectionately called the McGuinty-Ontario-Enviro-Terror-Regime.

Federally, Ontario is known as being the province that offers strong support for the Liberal Party of Canada. Currently, half of the party's 76 seats in the Canadian House of Commons represent Ontario ridings, although, in the 2008 federal election, for the first time since the Mulroney government, the Conservatives won a plurality of the seats and the vote. As the province has the most seats of any province in Canada, earning support from Ontario voters is considered a crucial matter for any party hoping to win a Canadian federal election. ( Adapted from : Wikipedia. )



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Ontario's **NEEDLESS, SENSELESS, and MALICIOUS** prohibition of **FEDERALLY LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE, and TOTALLY IRREPLACEABLE** conventional pest control products

The McGuinty–Ontario–Enviro–Terror–Regime passed legislation implementing a « *cosmetic pesticides ban* » that took effect April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. The requirements of the prohibition are detailed in Ontario Regulation 63/09 and the Pesticides Act, which was amended by the Cosmetic Pesticides Ban Act, 2008.

The legislation generally prohibits the sale and use of pest control products for cosmetic ( i.e. « *non-essential* » ) purposes — excluding golf courses, some sports fields, specialty turf, forestry, and agriculture.

The legislation also establishes **11 classes** of pest control products —

- One class of pest control product may not be sold or used.
- Another class may be sold and used according to label directions without any additional restrictions.
- Another class of products have both « *cosmetic and non-cosmetic* » uses, with specific rules provided for vendors to follow when dealing with potential purchasers, intended to ensure that purchasers do not use these products for cosmetic purposes.

In January 2010, the Green Space Industry outlined the list of **CHARGES** against the McGuinty–Ontario–Enviro–Terror–Regime and the Ministry of the Environment. Additionally, individual Enviro–Maniac members of Environmental Terror Organizations are also facing **FRAUD** charges under the Canadian Criminal Code.

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## LAWN-CARE FIRMS SEEK CHARGES AGAINST [ ONTARIO ] HEALTH OFFICIALS

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January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Martin Mittelstaedt  
Environment Reporter

The Globe and Mail

An individual representing ONTARIO lawn-care companies is trying to have Criminal Code CHARGES LEVIED AGAINST DOCTORS, PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS AND ENVIRONMENTALISTS who publicly lobbied the province to institute a ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides around homes.

Among the **twenty-three** named are prominent employees or volunteers at the Canadian Cancer Society, Ontario College of Family Physicians, and Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment.

The request for charges was made this week in Kingston [ Ontario ], where a justice of the peace has set a mid-February date to hear allegations that the individuals BROKE THE LAW in their arguments against pesticides, and to decide whether charges are warranted.

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In a separate action earlier this month, the same individual also asked for charges against Ontario Environment Minister John Gerretsen and five senior officials involved in creating the pesticide ban, which came into force last spring on Earth Day.

[ See later for more information regarding the Ontario Government Culprits. ]

Having charges instituted against government officials is considered to have little chance of proceeding.

*<< I cannot think of any case ever where an individual minister or civil servant has been held civilly liable because the legislature or the cabinet adopted a law, >>* said Dianne Saxe, a Toronto environmental lawyer.

[ See later for more information regarding Dianne Saxe and EnviroLaw. ]

Environmentalists, meanwhile, say the case highlights the need for laws protecting them from frivolous legal disputes by companies or individuals opposed to regulatory actions.

Gideon Forman, executive director of Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment, one of those named, says making the case for laws is a key part of the political process and shouldn't be subject to legal action. [ Quelle surprise ! ]

*<< It's exactly what a democracy is about. You make comment to government when legislation is being considered, >>* he said.

[ See later for more information regarding Gideon Forman. ]

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The pesticide case was launched by Kingston [ Ontario ] resident Jeffrey Lowes, a former insurance salesman who says his effort has the backing of about **400 residential lawn companies**.

In documents at a Kingston court over the request for charges, Mr. Lowes alleges that Mr. Gerretsen [ the Ontario Minister of the Environment ] and his staff committed fraud by using deceit to ban bug and weed killers, costing the industry more than **300-million-dollars**.

Kate Jordan, a ministry spokesperson, said it has not seen the claims.

Other court documents claimed the activists used false information to justify municipal pesticide bans that preceded Ontario's province-wide prohibition, which it claims was a criminal-code offence of trying to influence municipal councillors through deceit.

In an interview, Mr. Lowes said the basis for this allegation is an Ontario College of Family Physicians study on the health effects of pesticides issued in 2004 that concluded the chemicals were harmful.

Mr. Lowes alleges the study contained FALSE INFORMATION because one of its expert reviewers, a Health Canada scientist, when contacted by him through e-mail, said she wasn't aware her name was in the document until after it was published.

<< *So the medical report they relied on was falsified,* >>  
he contended.

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The college defended the study, saying it stands behind its conclusions.

<< *There are no grounds to declare that I personally or the Ontario College of Family Physicians presented false information to government,* >> said Jan Kasperski, the college's chief executive officer, and one of those named in the court documents. [ Quelle surprise ! ]

Pesticide bans have been fertile ground for legal actions. One of the first municipal bans in the country, in Hudson, Quebec, led to a Supreme Court case. Quebec's ban prompted weed killer-maker Dow Agrosciences to file a notice for an arbitration claim against the federal government under the investor protection provisions of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Lawn pesticide bans are currently under consideration in both Nova Scotia and British Columbia.



## Our Hero !

# The Voice of the Lawn and Tree Care Industries in Government Circles

**Jeffrey Lowes** is DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS for M-REP Communications.

M-REP Communication is part of an international coalition of companies that provide consulting services through a network of technical and research based companies and agencies in North America and the European Union. M-REP Communications focuses on sound environmental policy and communications.

M-REP Communications represents lawn and tree-care companies in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia. This has made M-REP Communications one of the largest organizations in Canada as THE VOICE OF THE LAWN AND TREE CARE INDUSTRIES IN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES. M-REP Communications has embarked on engaging the Federal levels of government that regulate or use the services of the lawn and tree-care industries and working with their provincial counter parts.

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<< **M**-REP Communications says there is no scientific evidence to support existing [ prohibition ] by-laws ... and claims to have already launched its first lawsuit for defamation and slander of goods. >> — 2008

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## PESTICIDES CASES HEATING UP

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May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Retrieved from  
EnviroLaw Web Site

Dianne Saxe  
Environmental Lawyer



After years of relatively little pesticides litigation, there is suddenly an explosion of activity [ as of 2008 ].

The federal government is facing nine lawsuits ( including class actions ) across the country arising from alleged pesticide contamination of the Gagetown military base.

Some product liability litigation for pesticide treated wood also seems to be proceeding.

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Meanwhile, a consultant claiming to act for an unnamed “ *group of lawn care professionals* ” is threatening to sue any municipality that adopts a ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides. M-REP Communications says there is NO SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT EXISTING BY-LAWS ... and claims to have already launched its first lawsuit for DEFAMATION AND SLANDER OF GOODS. However, the legal basis for the alleged lawsuit is unclear, and M-REP declined to provide us with a copy of its pleadings. Is there a scientific basis for the threat ? The College of Family Physicians is standing behind its 2003 literature review, which concluded that cosmetic use of pesticides does pose a potential human health threat.

In any event, all municipal bylaws on the cosmetic use of pesticides will become inoperative if Bill 64, the provincial ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides, comes into effect as planned. This should go far to make the threatened lawsuits irrelevant, whether or not they have other merits.

## Background Information from an Independent Perspective

Dianne Saxe claims to be a leading environmental lawyer, with thirty years practical experience. Saxe was once SENIOR PROSECUTOR for the Ontario Ministry of the Environment. She boasts having expertise in administrative penalties, approvals, climate change, contaminated land, due diligence, emissions trading, enforcement, government relations, groundwater protection, ISO 14000, new substances notification, and pest control products. In 2003–2004, she is listed as a supporter of Canadian Institute for Environmental Law and Policy ( C.I.E.L.A.P. ), an organization that promotes prohibition.

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<< **C** *APE says the [ prohibition ] regulations will not only protect health but also boost Ontario 's lawn care industry and green jobs. >> — 2009*

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## ONTARIO BECOMES PESTICIDE—FREE LEADER

“ NOTHING LIKE THIS  
ANYWHERE ELSE  
ON THE CONTINENT ”

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March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Canadian Association of Physicians  
for the Environment ( CAPE )



Media Release

A list of banned pesticides released today as part of Ontario's Cosmetic Pesticide Ban Act makes the legislation the most health-protective law of its kind in North America, says the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment ( CAPE ).

The list includes over **95 cosmetic pesticides** — among them 2,4-D and glyphosate — whose use and sale in the province will be prohibited starting in April [ 2009 ].

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<< *Ontario is a true leader. There is nothing like this anywhere else on the continent,* >> says CAPE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Gideon Forman.

| << *Up to now, Quebec has had the best legislation but it only bans 20 pesticides. Ontario is banning five times that number. And the U.S. can't even agree on a ban on 2,4-D while Ontario is protecting us from 2,4-D and 95 other toxic chemicals as well !* >>

— Forman

Scientific research has shown pesticides are linked to cancer, neurological illness, and birth defects. Children are especially vulnerable. [ Totally Wrong ! ]

<< *All the polling we've seen suggests these regulations will be hugely popular across the province,* >> says Forman, whose association represents over 4,000 doctors and concerned citizens.

[ BACKGROUND INFORMATION FROM AN INDEPENDENT PERSPECTIVE — Enviro-Polls BOUGHT AND PAID FOR by known Enviro-Terror-Organizations have NO SIGNIFICANCE whatsoever ! Enviro-Polls are deceptively DESIGNED to provide prohibitionist answers ! ]

| << *Ontarians are delighted that this spring they won't have to worry about their kids and pets getting sick after playing on the lawn.* >> — Forman

[ Needless and Senseless Fear-Mongering ! ]

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CAPE says the regulations will not only protect health but also boost Ontario's lawn care industry and green jobs.

<< *Non-toxic lawn care is more labour-intensive so it's a boon to employment. Statistics Canada says communities which prohibit pesticides see their number of lawn care firms grow substantially,* >> says Forman. [ Totally Wrong ! ]

[ BACKGROUND INFORMATION FROM AN INDEPENDENT PERSPECTIVE — Prohibition has been particularly DEVASTATING to the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry in the Province of Quebec ! As a sad consequence of the prohibition imposed in the Province of Quebec by Enviro-Terror, OVER SIXTY PER CENT of the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry has now been ANNIHILATED ! Prohibition has also SEVERELY HARMED the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry in the City of Halifax, located in the Province of Nova Scotia ! Because of the prohibition, REVENUES PLUMMETED BY FORTY PER CENT with most of the Professional Lawn Care companies, and it has taken them five years to « recover » from the hardship and losses ! Because of the prohibition, CUSTOMERS HAVE DISINTEGRATED BY FIFTY PER CENT, even after a so-called « recovery » period of several years ! ]

For More Information :  
Gideon Forman,  
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<< I 'd like to acknowledge the tremendous support we received from Jan Kasperski, CEO of the Ontario College of Family Physicians, Gideon Foreman of the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment along with that of many of your organizations. >>

— John Gerretsen. Minister of the Environment. Government of Ontario. IN A SPEECH TO HIS ENVIRO-MANIAC FRIENDS AND ALLIES IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL TERROR MOVEMENT. Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008, 7:05 P.M.

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## Government Culprits

Those Ontario Government Officials that allegedly failed to exercise their assigned fiduciary responsibilities by not taking reasonable care to ensure that the Ministry of Environment complied with the Pest Control Products Act, and instead, became part of a conspiracy to promote the NEEDLESS, SENSELESS, and MALICIOUS prohibition of pest control products.

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**FORCE OF NATURE** was launched for continuous transmission on the Internet on January 1st, 2009. It is a series of e-newsletters destined for the Green Space Industry, the Environmental-Terror-Movement, Government Officials, and the Media, nation-wide across Canada, the United States, and overseas.

# O

Force Of Nature is the brainchild of William H. Gathercole and his entourage. Norah G is actually an acronym for the stable of anonymous producers and writers that contribute to this e-newsletter and have now replaced Mr. Gathercole. They consist of people from the following industries : Distribution, Fertilizer, Golf, Lawn Care, Manufacturing, Municipal, Nursery, and Orchard. Many of these people are leaders in their own industries. The opinions expressed in Force Of Nature, even though from an **INDEPENDENT PERSPECTIVE**, may not reflect those of everyone in the **GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY**, or Mr. Gathercole's many associates. Be warned ! Force Of Nature may sometimes be very irreverent and fearless with these e-newsletters. Mr. Gathercole is now retired from Force Of Nature, although his name continues to appear as the founder.

# R

William H. Gathercole is a principal **FOUNDER** of the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry in **BOTH** Ontario and Quebec. He holds a degree in Horticulture from the **UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH**, and another pure and applied science degree from **McGILL UNIVERSITY**. He has worked in virtually all aspects of the **GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY**, including **GOLF** and **PROFESSIONAL LAWN CARE**, and has served in public affairs, workplace safety, and Environmental compliance. Mr. Gathercole has supervised, consulted, programmed, and/or overseen the execution of **HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS** of pest control applications in the urban landscape. He has trained, instructed, and consulted with **THOUSANDS** of turf managers and technicians. Mr. Gathercole has also been an agricultural agronomist. For many years, Mr. Gathercole was a contributing columnist for **TURF & Recreation Magazine**, Canada's Turf and Grounds Maintenance Authority.

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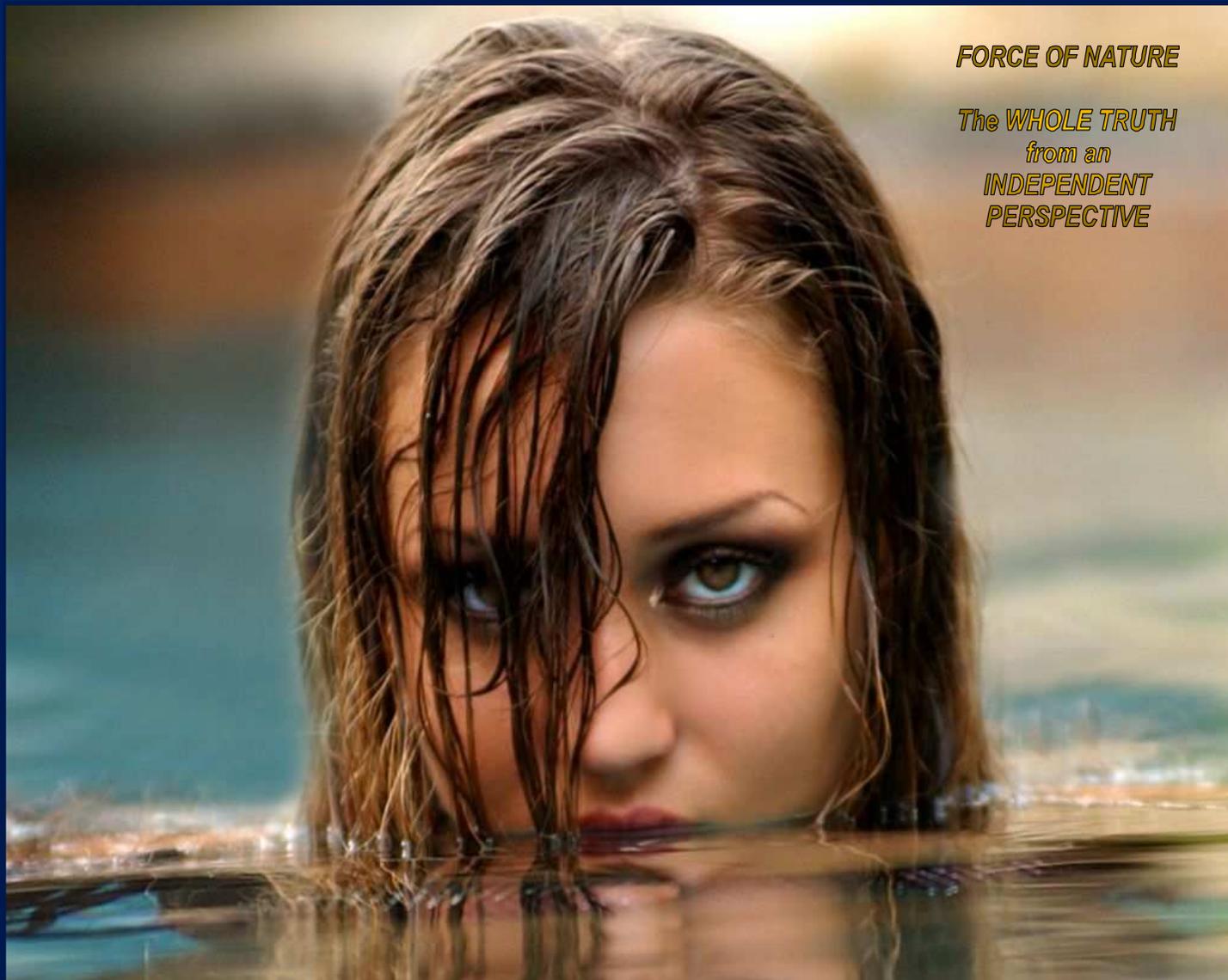
Mr. Gathercole has followed the evolution of **ENVIRONMENTAL TERRORISM** for over a quarter-century. His involvement in Environmental issues reached a fevered pitch in the 1990s, when he orchestrated, with his colleagues, legal action against the prohibition of pest control products in the Town of Hudson, Quebec. For **FIFTEEN YEARS**, the strategies designed and implemented by Mr. Gathercole and his colleagues guaranteed the control of **Enviro-Terror** for the entire Modern Green Space Industry across Canada. Although he can be accused of being **Anti-Environment-Movement**, he is, in fact, simply a strong advocate **FOR** the Modern Green Space Industry. However, this position has not precluded him from criticizing the Green Space Industry itself. Nonetheless, his vast knowledge of our long journey with Environmental issues is **UNDENIABLE**. ( Hopefully ! )

# H

Force Of Nature is the instrument of **National Organization Responding Against Huje** that harm the **Green Space Industry** (**NORAHG**) by concocting statements and activities seeking to prohibit **FEDERALLY LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE, and TOTALLY IRREPLACEABLE** conventional pest control products. **Enviro-Maniac-Culprits** are identified on the basis of their statements, activities, affiliations, and whereabouts. Even though each **Enviro-Maniac-Culprit** is a mis-guided adversary, each still deserves our respect. The terms **Maniac, Culprit, Terrorist, or Basterd** are not accusations of any legal wrong-doing. Force Of Nature is simply holding **Culprits** accountable for conspiring to change public policies that **TERRORIZE** and **THREATEN** the Green Space Industry. Force Of Nature believes that the pretentious prohibitionist policies of the **Environmental-Terror-Movement** is leading to **LOSS OF REVENUES, BUSINESS FAILURES, BANKRUPTCY, and UNEMPLOYMENT**, inflicting **DESPAIR** and **DESTITUTION** for **THOUSANDS** of victims throughout the Green Space Industry. The actions of **Maniac-Culprits-Terrorists-Basterds** in the movement are viewed as a form of **TERROR** against the Green Space Industry. The information presented in Force Of Nature has been developed for the education and entertainment of the reader by providing a sequence of historical events with commentary. Additionally, Force Of Nature inspires people to believe that **ENVIRONMENTAL TERRORISM** can be **STOPPED** ! The events, characters, companies, and organizations, depicted in this document are not always fictitious. Any similarity to actual persons, living or dead, may not be coincidental. All document excerpts and pictures contained in Force Of Nature were found somewhere on the Internet. We believe that they are in the public domain, serving one of the following purposes : archive, education, promotion, publicity, or press release.

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