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Wind-blown debate - do it: Forman

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If we take seriously the protection of human health we have to phase out coal and nuclear-powered electricity.
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Will

May 15th 2010, 9:41am

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Tell me something Forman. You say coal is killing people and destroying the environment. Fine. What about the constant destruction of this planet for the sake of growth? We are clear cutting forests including wetlands and filling in swamps (these happen to be a natural filtration systems for the environment) for the sake of expansion. Northern Ontario is the home of one of the last unspoiled forests on this planet. The boreal region is destined for destruction if McQuinty has anything to do with it. It comes down to money. McQuinty sees the dollar signs now and believes this will be his ticket out of debt. We know about coal. How much do we know about wind turbines? This idea should be years away until we know all health affects. Silly boy!!

M Anderson

May 15th 2010, 9:14am

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CanWEA hoped by paying a bunch of pro-windies some big bucks to produce a "literature review" they would kill the concerns.

There was no "study" done at all. No people actually experiencing the problems were even interviewed. The data was cherry picked to please the industry lobbyist who was paying them.

Dr. Colby was told by the College of Physicians and Surgeons NOT to try to pass himself off as an expert in this as he has no credentials or experience to do so. He has been seen at developer's meetings acting in the capacity of a salesman...this is objective?

Even the United Kingdom's National Health Services slammed the non-study as lobbyist funded pap.
<http://www.nhs.uk/news/2010/01/January/Pages/Wind-turbine-sound-and-health>

Paul R

May 15th 2010, 7:02am

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Why do we even need to produce more power? With all the forestry jobs in Northern Ont going to China and all the mineral refining going to Quebec, Ont should have all kinds of extra electricity the way it is now. Besides with the cost of electricity going sky high plus the HST people will use just the bare minimum of electricity that they need. So again lots of extra electricity in the grid. Some seniors are already only using hydro every second day because they cant afford to use more. I assume when Hydro One sees the lost revenue for raising rates and people conserving more, they will have to raise rates more because they will be bringing in less money. Ordinary people just cant win anymore these days. Get out McQuinty while u are able to

Jeff

May 15th 2010, 6:46am

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Gideon, you are sadly misinformed sir! Conversion to wind power will speak for itself once the price increases hit the consumers mail boxes. You cannot deny that wind is at best unreliable, that dotting all the rural landscape with these machines has rthe populace up set. But worst of all, any power produced by these machines is 5 times more expensive than we are now paying for coal and Nukes.

WQhat you are saying about Nuclear power is pure unadulterated bullshit. Having worked in the nuclear power industry for 32 years I know a little about the subject.

Nuclear is the second cleanest, cheapest source of reliable power that we now have in our arsenal.
For the green twits who promote alternatives don't care how we will cope with costs

flipp48

May 15th 2010, 6:37am

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Hey Forman - dont u get it guy - u and ur friends have been discredited and ur dubious claims by a biased group of scientists doesnt cut any ice. POLITICIZED SCIENCE IS JUST THAT - TAINTED BY SELF-RIGHTEOUS DO-GOODERS WHO THINK IT IS THERE INALIENABLE RIGHT TO RAM LIES DISTORTIONS AND MISINFORMATION DOWN THE REST OF OUR THROATS - SORRY GIDEON U HAVE NO ASSETS AT THE BANK OF CREDIBILITY

Scott from Oshawa

May 15th 2010, 12:43am

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well lets see what else that wind power isn't like coal and nukes... they don't create nearly enough electricity when the wind blows to even shut down one of the coal fire plants let alone one of the nukes!! I'm sorry until the technology has increased the output of electricity from wind power and to make it more reliable then it is now all money spent on this is a waste. It is a feel good thing to make the politicians look good in the eyes of the "green" people. If they wanted to actually do something that would be worth while with the money they are giving to samsung they would take half of it and put it into R&D to develop a green technology that will actually do what we need it to do.

terry H.

May 15th 2010, 12:30am

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destroying our climate eh?
I guess you never heard of Climategate, it was all over the internet. I know the media ignored it.
The climate crisis has been called off by reality.

Tony Lam

May 14th 2010, 10:27pm

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Another writer who's out to lunch. Wind power is not sustainable enough to generate the power we need. Unless you want us to live in caves and use animal dung as fuel.

Forman better not be preaching wind power for us while he lives in a huge house, 4 cars, 4 kids, etc. etc. This is usually the case when these people preach environmentalism yet don't practice it themselves.

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