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In the year 2010 ...

The game of golf is a flourishing
MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY



In the year 2020 ...

Large numbers of golf courses have
become **ABANDONED WASTE DUMPS**

The Annihilation of the Golf Industry!

In the year 2020 ...

Pest control products are prohibited **NATIONALLY**.

Integrated Pest Management and Green Alternatives are **FAILURES**.

The **ENTIRE** Golf Industry has its exception status **REVOKED**.

The playing conditions at **ALL** golf facilities are **DISMAL**.

The labour now needed for maintenance is **STAGGERING**.

Only the **VERY RICH ELITE** golfer can afford to play golf.

Up to seventy per cent of golfers **ABANDON** the sport.

All golf clubs are considered as **WORTHLESS** investments.

No one can buy or sell a golf facility. Owners are **FRANTIC**.

Owners can **NO LONGER AFFORD** to pay the property taxes.

Sixty per cent of all golf clubs **CLOSE DOWN** or go **BANKRUPT**.

Superintendents are **NO LONGER NECESSARY OR NEEDED**.

The **Multi-Billion-Dollar-Golf-Industry** is **ANNIHILATED**.

Large numbers of golf courses are **ABANDONED WASTE DUMPS**.

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Golf Industry Response to Threat of British Columbia Prohibition

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

With more than 1,500 professional members, Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (C.G.S.A.) alleges to be the only national organization dedicated to promoting and supporting golf course superintendents and turfgrass specialists in Canada. In fact, the majority of C.G.S.A. members ARE NOT golf course superintendents, and most members are currently employed in WESTERN CANADA. Superintendent-members of C.G.S.A. represent ONLY ONE-QUARTER of all golf clubs in Canada. The official publication of C.G.S.A. is a magazine called GreenMaster. The original intention of the founders of this magazine was to provide technical information in order to provide high-quality playing condition for golf courses across Canada. Observers believe GreenMaster now contains very few ground-breaking relevant technical articles, and appears to be little more of than a display of association HUBRIS, with industry leaders displayed as if they were posing for an article in « GQ » magazine.



Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (C.G.S.A.) leadership does not understand that they are now living in THE ERA OF 9/11 OF THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY. (This includes the Golf Industry).

The conspiracy to prohibit pest control products has now attained NATIONAL proportions. The provinces are toppling like dominoes. The Professional Lawn Care Industry is being systematically annihilated across Canada. The Enviro-Maniac-Activists have VIRTUALLY LIMITLESS GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE FUNDS to wreak their havoc, and they understand full well that THERE IS NO UNITY within the Green Space Industry. First municipal, then provincial, and finally national in scope, their first destructive round of attacks will soon be complete. And then ... soon after the Enviro-Maniac-Activists have tasted victory by obliterating the Professional Lawn Care

Industry, the HATED Golf Industry will be targeted in the next round of attacks. This time, the Golf Industry will be totally alone, and devoid of any allies to help defend itself.

The Golf Industry leadership, because of its attitude of denial and protectionism and mock-dismay at any form of criticism, is ignoring the supreme historic opportunity to join forces with the Professional Lawn Care Industry, and litigate against the evil Enviro-Maniac-Activists. A failure to do so will be lethal and final, and future generations will ask the question — *Why did you not act ?* For the first time in all of our collective history, it can be said that there is NO LONGER A HOPEFUL FUTURE for those employed in the Green Space Industry (including the Golf Industry).

The Looming Golf Industry Shipwreck is on a Collision Course.

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Trade Association Letter

RESPONSE FROM

CANADIAN GOLF SUPERINTENDENTS
ASSOCIATION (C.G.S.A.)

REGARDING

COSMETIC USE OF PESTICIDES
IN BRITISH COLUMBIA —
PUBLIC CONSULTATION FORUM

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2010

ADAPTED STATEMENT EXCERPTS

FIRST OF FOUR PARTS

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Statement by Canadian Golf Superintendents Association —

The Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (CGSA) represents over 1,500 individuals involved in the management of golf facilities across Canada.

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

The majority of C.G.S.A. members ARE NOT golf course superintendents, and LESS THAN HALF of British Columbia golf facilities are associated with C.G.S.A. Additionally, superintendent-members of C.G.S.A. represent only ONE-QUARTER of all golf clubs in Canada.

The NEEDLESS, SENSELESS, and MALICIOUS prohibition of FEDERALLY LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE, TOTALLY IRREPLACEABLE, and ABSOLUTELY INDISPENSABLE pest control products used by the Modern Professional Lawn Care Industry is resulting in LOSS OF REVENUES, BUSINESS FAILURES, BANKRUPTCY, and UNEMPLOYMENT, inflicting TERROR, DESPAIR, and DESTITUTION ON THOUSANDS of hapless victims throughout the Green Space Industry ... and the Golf Industry is NEXT ! C.G.S.A. is OBLIVIOUS to the Looming Golf Industry Shipwreck which is on a Collision Course with its membership. In the midst of the GREATEST CATASTROPHE faced by the Golf Industry, C.G.S.A. leaders are more concerned with issues such as « Leadership Style » and « To Twitter or Not To Twitter ». TWITS !



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Statement by Canadian Golf Superintendents Association —

The CGSA and the Golf Industry in Canada have worked for well over a decade to educate golf course superintendents on the judicious use of pesticides in the management of turfgrass. In fact, Canada was the first country to introduce « *Environmental Guidelines for Golf Courses* » and has been referenced in the « *Environmental Principles for Golf Courses in the United States* » and « *An Environmental Strategy for Golf in Europe* ». [...] In 2001, the CGSA developed the Environmental Management Resource Manual for golf. This guideline was distributed to all of our members and was recognized by both the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and the British International Golf Greenkeepers Association as a key resource in the area of golf course management.

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

C.G.S.A. compiled some nice training manuals. Observers say : Big Deal ! In order to successfully deter the malicious prohibition efforts of Enviro–Maniac–Activists, the Golf Industry must publish GOLF MAINTENANCE PROTOCOLS and the PERFORMANCE STANDARDS expected by its playing customers. So far, the Golf Industry has been ridiculously inconsistent in defining « *suitable playing surfaces* ». If it does not do so, the Environmental–Terror–Movement will do it for them. The Golf Industry appears to be more worried about a set of protocols for the implementation of the INEFFECTIVE Integrated Pest Management rather than focus on what its playing customers really want ... HIGH–QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS.

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Statement by Canadian Golf Superintendents Association —

In addition, since 1997 all superintendent and assistant superintendent members of the CGSA HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED through their respective provincial government authority in the proper use of approved pest control products.

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

HUBRIS ! This is egotistical trade association rant !

C.G.S.A. membership is contingent on being a legal applicator.

Observers say : Big Deal !

This C.G.S.A. statement is unnecessary, since all professional applicators of pest control products MUST BE LICENSED under Provincial regulations. This membership policy is as redundant as requiring a motor vehicle licence.

C.G.S.A. is supposed to be writing a letter to the « *Public Consultation Forum* » regarding the « *Cosmetic Use of Pesticides in British Columbia* ». It is remarkable that, in a letter of this importance, C.G.S.A. squanders the first FOUR paragraphs boasting about silly manuals and membership requirements before coming to the point.

Observers ask : Who the heck is writing this CWAP ?!?!

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Statement by Canadian Golf Superintendents Association —

The motivation for these and many other initiatives is both economic and environmental. Besides the fact that pesticides require a significant expenditure, the current PATCHWORK of municipal by-laws restricting the use of pesticides creates a situation that has the potential to be confusing for the superintendents, the Golf Industry, and the public. It could also serve to drive golfers out of one community to an adjacent municipality to find the PLAYING CONDITIONS they seek.

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

C.G.S.A. is worried about UNEVEN playing conditions in different jurisdictions that create a « *patchwork* » of prohibition legislation. In another part of the letter, C.G.S.A. claims that « *playing surfaces that are necessary to the game and to the business of golf* ».

The Golf Industry has been ridiculously inconsistent in defining « *suitable playing surfaces* ». In the absence of « *suitable* » or « *quality* » playing surfaces, C.G.S.A. argues that the Golf Industry will face a « *resulting economic hardship* » and will « *drive golfers out* ». The Golf Industry is already doing this well on its own.

Sadly, the Golf Industry has embarked on a LUDICROUS AND ILL-FATED campaign to DOWNGRADE THE PLAYING CONDITIONS — ostensibly, C.G.S.A. claims « *the Golf Industry around the globe has embarked on an effort to reduce the expectations of the golfer* ».

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Golfing customers DO NOT want
their expectations reduced !

Basically, the Golf Industry is embarked on a campaign of DRIVING GOLFERS OUT BY TELLING THEM WHAT THEY WANT. Unfortunately, it is not the role of the Golf Industry to dictate expectations to paying golfing customers ! This is a RULE in ANY service industry.

The Golf Industry must MEET the expectations of its paying golfing customers by developing and publishing golf MAINTENANCE PROTOCOLS and PERFORMANCE STANDARDS that are EXPECTED by its playing customers. So far, the Golf Industry has been ridiculously inconsistent in defining « *suitable playing surfaces* ». If it does not do so, lay-people such as the Enviro-Maniac-Activists will step in and design these standards and protocols for the industry. Even more ridiculous ... C.G.S.A. appears to be more worried about a set of protocols for the implementation of the INEFFECTIVE Integrated Pest Management rather than focus on what its playing customers really want ... HIGH-QUALITY PLAYING CONDITIONS.

Finally, the concept that golfers would be driven away from a municipal jurisdiction that legislates prohibition is LUDICROUS. In the vast majority of cases, what drives golfers away are sub-standard playing conditions. In fact, the Golf Industry SHOULD PREFER municipal prohibitions over a blanket provincial one, since municipalities are ill-equipped to enforce this kind of legislation.

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The leadership of Canadian Golf Superintendents Association supports Environmental Terror and Prohibition.

Statement by Canadian Golf Superintendents Association —

As such, the British Columbia Golf Industry WELCOMES the Provincial Government's proposal to introduce pesticide legislation that will level the business playing field from the uneven situation currently being created by the enactment of municipal by-laws.

Background Information from an Independent Perspective

Sadly, C.G.S.A. leadership now sounds and acts just like an Environmental-Terror-Organization.

C.G.S.A. leadership SUPPORTS the prohibition of FEDERALLY LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE, TOTALLY IRREPLACEABLE, AND ABSOLUTELY INDISPENSABLE conventional pest control products.

DISGUSTED OBSERVERS EXCLAIM : THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE !

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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.

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.

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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. MR. GATHERCOLE IS PERSONALLY CREDITED FOR CRAFTING THE GOLF INDUSTRY EXCEPTION STATUS, THAT ENDURES TO THIS DAY. HE IS ALSO THE CREATOR OF THE SIGNS THAT ARE NOW USED FOR POSTING AFTER APPLICATION. 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 !)

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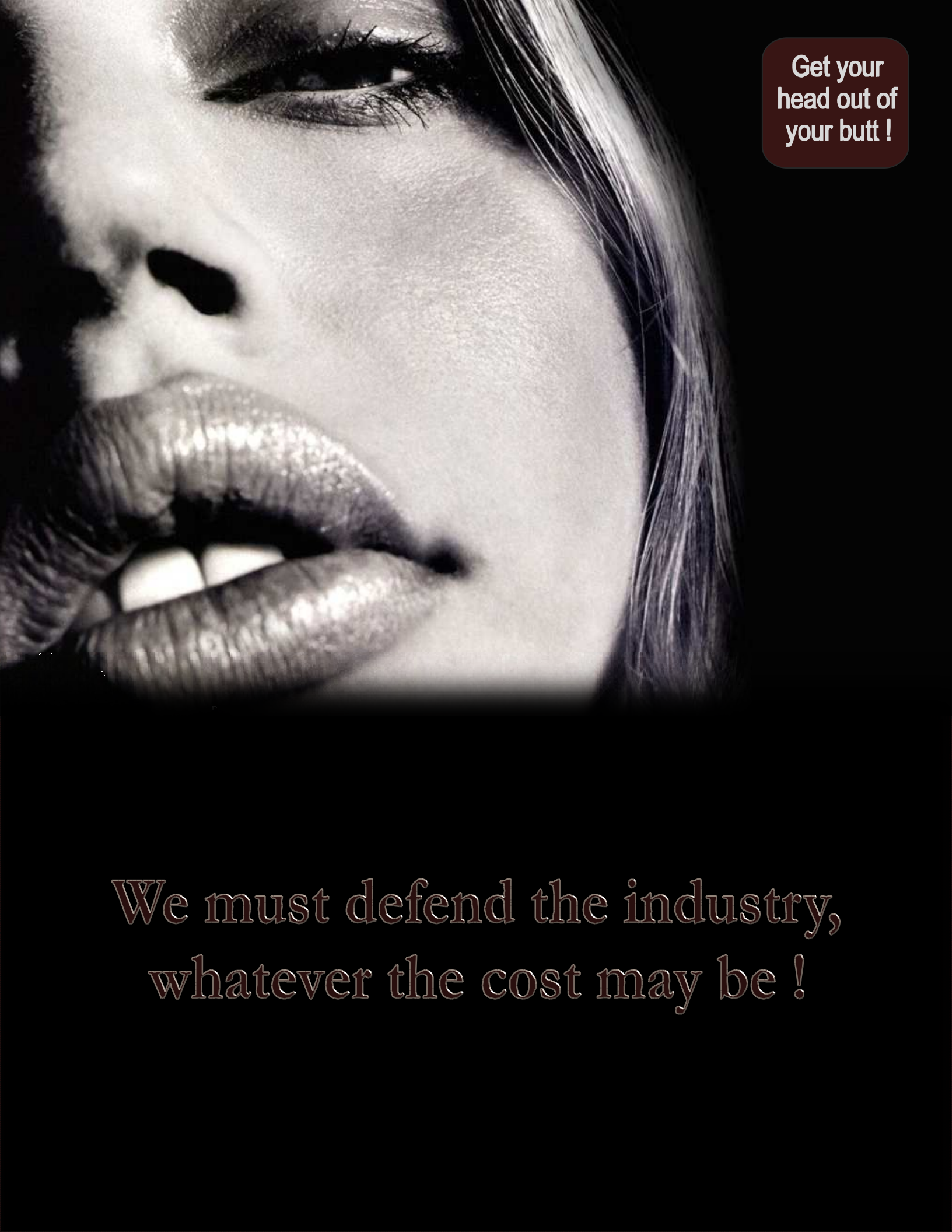
FORCE OF NATURE IS THE INSTRUMENT OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATION RESPONDING AGAINST HUJE THAT HARM THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY (**NORAHG**) BY CONCOCTING STATEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES SEEKING TO PROHIBIT FEDERALLY LEGAL, SCIENTIFICALLY SAFE, TOTALLY IRREPLACEABLE, AND ABSOLUTELY INDISPENSABLE CONVENTIONAL PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS. ENVIRO-MANIACS 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 ALLEGED CULPRITS ACCOUNTABLE FOR CONSPIRING TO CHANGE PUBLIC POLICIES THAT TERRORIZE AND THREATEN THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY. THEIR PRETENTIOUS PROHIBITIONIST RANTS HAS CREATED LOSS OF REVENUES, BUSINESS FAILURES, BANKRUPTCY, AND UNEMPLOYMENT, INFLECTING DESPAIR AND DESTITUTION FOR THOUSANDS OF HAPLESS VICTIMS THROUGHOUT THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY. THE ACTIONS OF MANIAC-CULPRIT-TERRORIST-BASTERDS 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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THE FOLLOWING FORCE OF NATURE DOCUMENTS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE — ● A LOOK AT ● ALBERTA PROHIBITION ● BRITISH COLUMBIA PROHIBITION ● CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT ● MILLIONAIRE-CANCER-SOCIETY ● CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION ● CONSEQUENCES ● DAVID SUZUKI FOUNDATION ● DDT AND POLITICIZED SCIENCE ● DEATH AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL-TERROR-MOVEMENT ● ENVIRO-MONEY ● ENVIRONMENTAL-TERRORISTS UNMASKED ● FERTILIZER-TERROR IS NEXT ● JUNE IRWIN, THE CLOWN OF JUNK SCIENCE ● KAZIMIERA JEAN COTTAM ● LANDSCAPE TRADES CAPITULATE ● NEW BRUNSWICK PROHIBITION ● NOVA SCOTIA PROHIBITION ● ONTARIO PROHIBITION ● ORGANIC FERTILIZERS ● PESTICIDE FREE BC ● PETS AND LAWN CARE CHEMICALS ● PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND PROHIBITION ● QUEBEC PROHIBITION ● RACHEL CARSON, THE QUEEN OF JUNK SCIENCE ● SALMON ARM BC PROHIBITION ● THE 9/11 ERA OF THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY ● THE FAILURE OF INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT ● THE LOOMING GOLF INDUSTRY SHIPWRECK ● THE INDUSTRY STRIKES BACK ● THE MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT CANCER ● THE NATIONAL ANNIHILATION OF THE MODERN GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY ● THE WISDOM OF BILL BELL ● THE WISDOM OF DRYSDALE ● THE WISDOM OF HEALTH CANADA ● THE WISDOM OF HOLLAND ● THE WISDOM OF LOWES ● THE WISDOM OF MAINS ● THE WISDOM OF THE SOLOMONS ● ASK FOR A COPY OF ANY BACK ISSUE OF FORCE OF NATURE TODAY. READ ALL ABOUT ENVIRO-MANIAC-ACTIVISTS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL-TERROR-ORGANIZATIONS IN FORCE OF NATURE ! THE WHOLE TRUTH FROM AN INDEPENDENT PERSPECTIVE ! FORCE OF NATURE IS TOTALLY INDEPENDENT OF ANY TRADE ASSOCIATION OR BUSINESS OPERATING WITHIN THE GREEN SPACE INDUSTRY. DON'T THANK US. IT'S A PUBLIC SERVICE. AND WE ARE GLAD TO DO IT.

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Get your
head out of
your butt !

We must defend the industry,
whatever the cost may be !