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## October Surprise

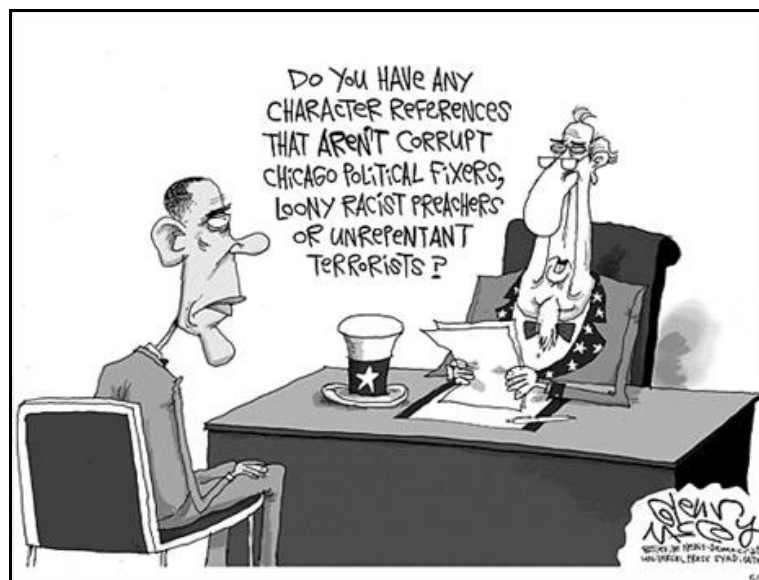
Hillary Clinton has been talking about an October surprise when it comes to Obama. Sean Hannity, I believe, has figured out what this surprise will be: He believes that Jeremiah Wright will come out with a book in October, which will probably feature Obama in a big way.

This suggests to me that Wright may have faded from the scene, not so much to allow Obama some space to wrap up the election for Obama's sake, but to allow Obama to wrap up the election for Wright's sake. If there is a book by Wright coming out, featuring Obama, and if Obama is a presidential nominee, then there is a good chance that Wright will make a lot of money. If Wright derails Obama's nomination, Obama will be old news by election time.

Wright's book--if I am right about this--should include all kinds of information about Wright's relationship to Obama and Obama's understanding of Liberation Theology. There is no way you can attend a Liberation Theology church for 22 years without understanding what is being taught there. Obama has said just the right words, to make it sound as though he did not know what is being taught in the Trinity Church of Christ, and Obama supporters are willing to let this go. But, Wright's book is going to make it clear that Obama knew exactly what Liberation Theology is, and he continued to attend Wright's church.

Keep in mind, both Wright and his publisher have a distinct interest in Obama being the Democratic nominee. If there is such a book in the making, Obama needs to be the Democratic nominee; if Obama keeps yapping, this becomes less and less plausible. Both Wright and his publisher will possibly be extremely rich as a result of this October surprise.

Obama, if he is the Democratic candidate at the time, will be defeated soundly in one of the most polarized elections ever: 90% of Blacks will vote for Obama and 60-70% of whites will vote for McCain. And after the votes are all counted, there is going to be some very angry Black Democrats.



## The DC Madam's Suicide

As I get older, I tend to doubt more and more in conspiracy theories. At one time, like many Americans, I believed that there was some sort of conspiracy involved in the killing of John Kennedy. Since then, I have seen one television show which took each and every point of my reasonable doubt in the assassination of JFK, and explained it simply and logically to fit the official story. I now believe in the lone assassin account. I never bought into any of the weird, weird theories about 9/11, with the goofy ideas that Bush, Cheney, the Jews and/or some other behind-the-scenes group somehow set up the attacks on the World Trade Center and set explosives in one nearby building (for a variety of weird motivations), despite Rosie O'Donnell's grim national appeal, "Fire cannot burnt steel."

However, when I heard that Deborah Jeane Palfrey, the D.C. madam committed suicide by hanging in her mother's shed, I must admit that I did not buy into that.

Quite frankly, criminal stories do not interest me anymore, but I am curious as to how this one will play out.

## Michael Yon from Iraq

This link has an important photo on it:

[http://www.michaelyon-online.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=34&Itemid=55&limitstart=12](http://www.michaelyon-online.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=34&Itemid=55&limitstart=12)

The little girl in the soldier's arms is Farah. A suicide bomber chose to set off a bomb around a group of children rather than try to get closer to some American soldiers. She was injured in the blast and an Iraqi woman immediately handed the child to an American soldier, knowing that he

would do everything in his power to save the little girl.

This gives you an idea as to how the Iraqi people regard American soldiers; this gives you an idea as to the honor and integrity of our men in uniform; and it gives you an idea as to the type of enemy which we face in Iraq—how they have no boundaries, no morals, no common decency. These are men who deserve to die. They deserve to have their bodies stacked high into the air.

What is confusing to me is, how is it that liberals do not see that these are men as evil as the Germans of WWII who killed millions of Jews and others in their death camps. These men that we are fighting are just as evil and they need to die. It does not matter if we find them in Iraq or anywhere else...they need to die and we should kill them.

## The Coming Ice Age

Global warming, one of the greatest scams of our lifetime, is said to be caused by man producing the naturally occurring CO<sub>2</sub> gas, which is what plants breathe, and accounts for about 38 parts per million of the earth's atmosphere (if memory serves me correctly).

However, while we are creating green house gases, which supposedly increase the world's temperature, at the same time, we are supposed to believe that any global cooling trend is temporary, natural, and will be overcome by global warming in the future.

*There is...plenty of anecdotal evidence that 2007 was exceptionally cold. It snowed in Baghdad for the first time in centuries, the winter in China was simply terrible and the extent of Antarctic sea ice in the austral winter was the greatest on record since James Cook discovered the place in 1770.*

<http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,25197,23583376-5013480,00.html>

And yet 70% of Americans believe in global warming. We are fools!

## One Significant Difference

I've had an ongoing discussion/argument with a liberal, and what it comes down to is, I am willing to accept the world for what it is, and function in the real world. What I believe in is based upon what I see day in and day out. I believe there are evil men and evil groups of men out there. In case I ever lose sight of this, I simply go back to [www.thereligionofpeace.com](http://www.thereligionofpeace.com) to remind myself of how many innocent people have been killed all over the world this past week/month by Islamic extremists.

I understand and believe that warfare and poverty are never-ending and will be a part of my life and the lives of all those who live on after me. I have no illusions that a smooth-talking president will be able to stop war and I know that, no matter how much money my government takes from me, there will always be starvation, inequity, racial tension, anger and hatred in the world.

I know that the least efficient place to send my money to do good is our government. I know that, despite having virtually unlimited resources, government is the last place I would look for help if I were a Katrina victim. One of the most disgusting aspects of the Katrina disaster was watching the infighting and blame between the local government (state, parish, and city Democrats, for the most part) slug it out with the Federal government (mostly Republican at the time). It appeared to me that one party looked to make this a greater disaster than it already was just for political capital.

I base my beliefs on what I have seen every day of my life since I was born.

At this time, it is estimated that right now, this very second, there are approximately 50 wars in progress throughout the world. I don't know what the poverty figures are, but I would guess that they are substantial, and to see video of what poverty is like all over the world would be hard to watch. I saw local government in the New Orleans area turn away trucks filled with supplies for their people. On the positive side, I observed with my own eyes in my own city of Houston, a coalition between government and private citizens when we dealt with the sudden influx of 200,000 new residents from New Orleans and surrounding areas. I also watched FEMA, whose primary function seemed to be to cut as many checks to whoever held their hand out. In fact, there are still people from that disaster here in Houston—one of the most vibrant economies in the entire world—whose hands are still out, asking for money support.

This friend of mine thinks, if enough people wanted to, we could stop war. I am sure there are some people out there who think that, with a lot more money, we will improve our education system, we will end poverty, and, if the right political party gets into office, will provide excellent and inexpensive government run/subsidized/guided health care.

I spent nearly 30 years in our public school system, and I watch government year-by-year take an excellent school system and turn it into crap. I know people who feel it is their job to get up in the morning, light a cigarette, and turn on their big screen tv's, and go downtown a couple of times a month to make sure their money keeps coming in. I know that, no matter what various candidates say, whatever the government is going to run will cost 4x (or even 10x) more than they tell us, health care will be significantly inferior to what we have now, and the federal government will become the arbiter of life.

I base my opinions upon everything which I have observed in my life. War is not going to end, poverty will not be eliminated, and whatever the federal government gets involved with will cost more and it will become sluggish and inefficient and filled with graft and corruption.

If you are going to have an opinion, at least base it upon what you see with your own eyes.

## Myanmar Disaster

On 20/20, this past evening, there was video of Myanmar (Burma), which has suffered unbelievable devastation from a Cyclone this past week. I don't know how 20/20's female correspondent was able to enter into Burma or how any of this video was shot (they never explained that), but, as I write this, we have all kinds of boxes of food and water for their people poised right there on the border, and the Myanmar government is not allowing these things in (the last I heard, which was late last night, the Myanmar government was going to allow one US truck or plane of supplies (I forget which) to come into their country. We have several marines right there at the border trying to act as liaisons, so that we might minister to their people.

I have been praying for all of the foreign supplies to be allowed in, as I know millions of Americans are praying for. There are tens of thousands of people there who will die there over the next few days, simply because their government does not want to receive aid from the United States (and I assume from other countries as well).

It causes me to thank God for the wonderful country that I was born into, and for the blessings which God has bestowed upon us. I thank God

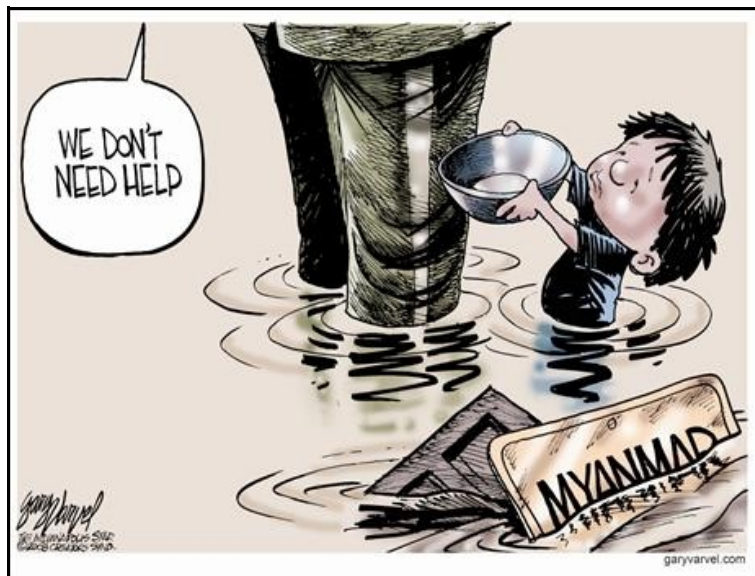
that I live in a country where our immediate response is to send millions of dollars worth of food and medical supplies.

The most recent news is some aid is being allowed in, but the boxes of food and supplies are being plastered with the names of top generals in Myanmar, so that it appears as if they have given this food to their people.

When I see the faces of those children, whose government is simply allowing them to starve or to die simply due to the uncleanness of their environment, things like gas prices and higher food prices seem so inconsequential.

[http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/myanmar\\_cyclone;\\_ylt=AkTs4Lquq.2.LTxkxofYTsD9xg8F](http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/myanmar_cyclone;_ylt=AkTs4Lquq.2.LTxkxofYTsD9xg8F)

<http://abcnews.go.com/International/Weather/story?id=4818210&page=1>



In one of the Fox News panels, they discussed Myanmar and establishing of democracies throughout the world. A hundred thousand people will probably die in Myanmar, not because they are poor, but because their government is run by the military, and has not allowed aid from foreign countries in (last I heard,

they have allowed some to trickle in). In a free society, this does not occur. You do not have planes and trucks filled with supplies poised on the border of a democratic country. A democratic country has to let aid in. It is the nature of the beast.

<http://www.immigrationshumancost.org/text/crimevictims.html>

## You Don't think Big Media is Biased?

Americans Killed in Iraq: Almost any one of us can name of the top of our head the number of American soldiers killed in Iraq. Right now, it is a little over 4000. My guess is, everyone who just read that figure already knew it.

Here are some numbers that you don't know:

How many have been killed in Afghanistan?

Here are the figures:

<http://icasualties.org/oef/>

How many children/fetuses were aborted last year?

About 1,300,000 children/fetuses are aborted each and every year. That is a big city. Our newspapers don't mention this either.

[http://www.abort73.com/HTML/II-A-abortion\\_statistics.html](http://www.abort73.com/HTML/II-A-abortion_statistics.html)

How many people were killed by illegal aliens last year? This one I know: over 4300. In one year. Every year. Is it not amazing that our newspapers say nothing about this?

[http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE\\_ID=53103](http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=53103)

Here are some of these people:



I just heard on Mike Reagan's program that now our police and border patrol and stopping and detaining aliens who are leaving (or trying to leave) our country. That is brilliant.

## A Real Letter from Iraq

The following is a letter sent to the Mother of an American soldier currently serving with the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division in Iraq. Per his request - via his Mother - we offer it to you. We believe this is an extremely important letter and urge you to share it with everyone you know. Special thanks to Jack and Carol Ott for getting this to us:

Taste of Freedom:

A Soldier's Letter to America  
USA/SGT Walter J. Rausch & 1st Platoon 101st Airborne Division

Mom,



Be my voice. I want this message heard. It is mine and my platoon's to the country. A man I know lost his legs the other night. He is in another company in our battalion. I can no longer be silent after watching the sacrifices made by Iraqis and Americans everyday. Send it to a congressman if you have to. Send it to FOX news if you have to. Let this message be heard please... My fellow Americans, I have a task for those with the courage and fortitude to take it. I have a message that needs not fall on deaf ears. A vision the blind need to see. I am not a political man nor one with great wisdom. I am just a soldier who finds himself helping rebuild a country that he helped liberate a couple years ago.

I have watched on television how the American public questions why their mothers, fathers, brothers, and sisters are fighting and dying in a country 9000 miles away from their own soil. Take the word of a soldier, for that is all I am, that our cause is a noble one. The reason we are here is one worth fighting for. A cause that has been the most costly and sought after cause in our small span of existence on our little planet. Bought in blood and paid for by those brave enough to give the ultimate sacrifice to obtain it. A right that is given to every man, woman, and child I believe by God. I am talking of freedom.

Freedom. One word but yet countless words could never capture it's true meaning or power. "For those who have fought for it, freedom has a taste the protected will never know." I read that once and it couldn't be more true. It's not the average American's fault that he or she is "blind and deaf" to the taste of freedom. Most Americans are born into their God given right so it is all they ever know. I was once one of them. I would even dare to say that it isn't surprising that they take for granted what they have had all their life. My experiences in the military however opened my eyes to the truth.

Ironically you will find the biggest outcries of opposition to our cause from those who have had

no military experience and haven't had to fight for freedom. I challenge all of those who are daring enough to question such a noble cause to come here for just a month and see it first hand. I have a feeling that many voices would be silenced.

I watched Cindy Sheehan sit on the President's lawn and say that America isn't worth dying for. Later she corrected herself and said Iraq isn't worth dying for. She badmouthed all that her son had fought and died for. I bet he is rolling over in his grave.

Ladies and gentleman I ask you this. What if you lived in a country that wasn't free? What if someone told you when you could have heat, electricity, and water? What if you had no sewage systems so human waste flowed into the streets? What if someone would kill you for bad-mouthing your government? What if you weren't allowed to watch TV, connect to the internet, or have cell phones unless under extreme censorship? What if you couldn't put shoes on your child's feet?

You need not to have a great understanding of the world but rather common sense to realize that it is our duty as HUMAN BEINGS to free the oppressed. If you lived that way would you not want someone to help you????

The Iraqi's pour into the streets to wave at us and when we liberated the cities during the war they gathered in the thousands to cheer, hug and kiss us. It was what the soldier's in WW2 experienced, yet no one questioned their cause!! Saddam was no better than Hitler! He tortured and killed thousands of innocent people. We are heroes over here, yet American's badmouth our President for having us here.

Every police station here has a dozen or more memorials for officers that were murdered trying to ensure that their people live free. These are husbands, fathers, and sons killed every day.

What if it were your country? What would your choice be? Everything we fight for is worth the blood that may be shed. The media never reports the true HEROISM I witness everyday in the Iraqi's. Yes there are bad one's here, but I assure you they are a minuscule percent. Yet they are a number big enough to cause worry in this country's future.

I have watched brave souls give their all and lose their lives and limbs for this cause. I will no longer stand silent and let the "deaf and blind" be the only voice shouting. Stonewall Jackson once said, "All that I have, all that I am is at the service of the country." For these brave souls who gave the ultimate sacrifice, including your son Cindy Sheehan, I will shout till I can no longer. These men and women are heroes. Their spirit lives on in their military and they will never be forgotten. They did not die in vain but rather for a cause that is larger than all of us.

My fellow countrymen and women, we are not overseas for our country alone but also another. We are here to spread democracy and freedom to those who KNOW the true taste of it because they fight for it everyday. You can see the desire in their eyes and I am honored to fight alongside them as an Infantryman in the 101st Airborne. Freedom is not free, but yet it is everyone's right to have. Irony isn't it? That is why we are here. Though you will always have the skeptics, I know that most of our military will agree with this message. Please, at the request of this soldier spread this message to all you know. We are in Operation Iraqi Freedom and that is our goal. It is a cause that I and thousands of others stand ready to pay the ultimate sacrifice for because, Cindy Sheehan, freedom is worth dying for, no matter what country it is! And after the world is free only then can we hope to have peace.

SGT Walter J. Rausch and 1st Platoon  
101st Airborne Division (Air Assault)  
A great letter for Mother's Day

## From the email forwards:

"Calling an illegal alien an "undocumented immigrant" is like calling a drug dealer an "unlicensed pharmacist."

actually, I got it from

<http://forums.delphiforums.com/bdsg/messages>

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Email Forward (originally written on Wednesday, October 20th 2004; he paid over \$100,000 to run this ad in a major newspaper—the Washington Post, if I recall correctly)):

## You're a Republican???

In today's America, ask a growing number of high school and college students; their teachers and professors; the self-anointed media elite and/or hard working men and women of all ethnicities, the question, *What is a Republican?*, and you'll be told a Republican is a rich, greedy, egotistical individual, motivated only by money and the desire to accumulate more and more of it, at the expense of the environment of the working poor and all whom they exploit.

I am a Republican and I am none of those things; furthermore, I don't know any Republicans who are.

WHAT I AM first and foremost, is a loving husband of some 52 plus years, the father of four and an American who's proud of his country and his country's heritage.

WHAT I AM is the grandson of immigrants who risked everything, including their lives and those of their children, to escape tyranny in search of freedom.

WHAT I AM is a man who grew up during the Depression and witnessed, first hand, the effects of the Stock Market crash and the soup lines that followed. I watched as both my parents and grand parents, who had very little themselves, share what food they had with a half dozen other families, who had even less.

WHAT I AM is someone who worked his way through college by holding down three and four jobs at a time and then used that education to build a better life.

WHAT I AM is a husband who, at age 24, started his own business for the privilege of working 60, 70 and 80 hours a week, risking everything I had, including my health, in search of a better life for myself and my loved ones.

WHAT I AM is a businessman whose blood, sweat and tears—and plenty of them—made it possible for me to provide a secure living, not only for my family and myself, but also for literally hundreds of my employees throughout the years. Employees, who in turn, were able to buy their own homes, raise their own families and give back to their communities and their country.

WHAT I AM is a man who believes in God; a God who has blessed this country and all for which it stands.

WHAT I AM is someone who knows, if you doubt miracles exist in today s world, you need only to look into the face of those who received them and the eyes of those who give them.

WHAT I AM is an American who s proud that his President embraces a belief in God; proud of a President who understands, as politically incorrect as it may be, there is evil in this world and for the security and safety of all freedom loving people everywhere, it must be confronted& and it must be defeated.

WHAT I AM is an American who takes comfort in the knowledge that our President refuses to allow decisions concerning the very safety and security of this nation, to be governed by the political whims of foreign governments.

WHAT I AM is tired of hearing from leading Democrats who see only negativity in America; racism in her people; class warfare in her society and political incorrectness in her character.

WHAT I AM is a former democrat who now understands that it is the soldier and not the reporter that guarantees us our freedoms of press, speech and dissent.

WHAT I AM is a man who believes in the sanctity of life. A man who is repulsed by the pandering of the political left for votes, at the expense of the unborn.

WHAT I AM is a husband and father who believes in the sanctity of marriage and the preservation of the family unit.

WHAT I AM is a movie go-er who is repulsed by those insecure, socially inept, elementary thinking, ego-inflated entertainers who have appointed themselves experts in the fields of national security and geo-politics and then use their forum to attack this nation, its leaders and its actions. much to the delight and encouragement of our enemies.

WHAT I AM is an American who understands the difference between censorship and choice. Evidently, these individuals do not, because when these same celebrities receive public ridicule for their offensive actions, the first thing they yell is Censorship! What they seem incapable of understanding is the right of free speech and dissent is shared equally by those offended as well as those who offend. I support and will continue to support those films and performers whom I choose to and refuse to support those I



don't. It is my right as an American a right I will continue to enthusiastically exercise.

WHAT I AM is a voter, tired of politicians, who, every time their voting records are subjected to public scrutiny, try to divert attention from their political and legislative failures by accusing their opponents of attack ads and negative campaigning . and the news media who allow them to get away with it.

WHAT I AM is a Catholic who loves his God and his Faith and who has been taught to respect all religions whose teachings are based in love, peace and charity. As such, I am embarrassed and ashamed of those individuals, in both private and public life, whose decisions and actions are devoid of any sense of character or morals; individuals who are only driven by what's best for them rather than what's right often times at the expense of many .including our national security. WHAT I AM is a realist who understands that the terrorist attack that murdered hundreds of innocent Russian children could have occurred here, in our heartland. That's why I sincerely believe America needs now, more than ever, a President who sees with a clear and focused vision and who speaks with a voice when heard by both friend and foe alike, is understood, respected and believed.

WHAT I AM is eternally grateful to Ronald Reagan for having the bravery to speak out against Communism and the courage of his convictions in leading the fight to defeat it; and George W. Bush for the vision, courage, conviction and leadership he has shown in America's war on terrorism amidst both the constant and vicious, personal and political attacks both he and his family are made to endure.

WHAT I AM is a human being, full of numerous faults and failures, but a man nonetheless, who, though not always successful, has continually strived to do what's right instead of what's easy

. A man who is challenging the religious leaders of all faiths, to not only preach to their congregations the fundamentals of what's right and what is wrong, but to also then hold them accountable for their actions in both the public and private sectors.

WHAT I AM is disgusted with the Courts who, on one hand, call the murder of a pregnant woman a double homicide but then refer to the abortion of her baby as, pro-choice .

WHAT I AM is someone deeply troubled by a political party which embraces a candidate whose primary leadership qualities center around his protesting of the Vietnam war and his labeling the honorable men and women who fought in it, (50,000 of whom gave their lives in that action), as rapists, and war criminals [this was written in the year 2004]. That same political party then stepped forward this year to block the appearance of a true Vietnam war hero, retired Admiral and former United States Senator, Jeremiah Denton, (a man who spent seven years and seven torturous months in a North Vietnam prison), from speaking before an open session of the California legislature as part of that state's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. The reason Democrats gave for refusing to allow this American hero to speak before their state legislature was because of the conservative nature of his views. As an American, that troubles me deeply .as well it should you.

WHAT I AM is a man who feels the need to spend, \$104,655.60,(tax paid) of his own money, to purchase this advertisement, in order to set the story straight. Some may say this money would have been better spent feeding the world's poor. At the risk of sounding self-serving, as an American and as a Republican, for the last six decades of my life, I have done exactly that and more. Following the examples of my parents and grand parents, I have used my earnings to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, provide housing for the elderly and medical care for the sick. and continue to do so and I'm not alone in that work.

WHAT I AM is someone who is paying for this announcement, at my sole expense, in hopes of opening the eyes of those led blindly by ill-informed elements of our great nation, who, through either ignorance, or malicious intent, repeatedly attack and belittle those of us who belong to a political party that holds true to the belief, the rights of the governed, exceed the power of the government. For those interested, I am speaking only as a tax-paying individual who is in no way associated with The Republican National Committee, nor with any of its directors, or delegates.

WHAT I AM is a man who understands, the American way of life is a message of self-empowerment for all.

WHAT I AM is an American who is grateful that our nation gives each of us the opportunity of self-determination and the right to benefit from the fruits of self achievement.

WHAT I AM is an American who wants to preserve that way of life for all who seek it.  
WHAT I AM is blessed to be an American. and proud to be Republican.  
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See also:

<http://whatiam.net/>

<http://www.snopes.com/politics/soapbox/whatiam.asp>

## Jobless Rate Falls

Were you aware of this?

<http://www.reuters.com/article/businessNews/idUSN0835298120080508?feedType=RSS&feedName=businessNews>

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When he is hot, he's hot. Often, on one day, Rush will lay it all out for us; he is eloquent, clear-spoken, and always fascinating. Last Thursday and Friday, Rush was at his best:

## Rush Analyses the Gas Prices

RUSH: Snerdley says we have a lot of people calling about oil today. I'm getting e-mails about this, too, and there obviously is some kind of campaign out there to have oil discussed. You know, the story out there past couple of days is "experts" say that the barrel price of oil will soon hit \$200 -- and this is roiling the markets, they say. Now, I want you to stop and think about something, folks. If \$200-a-barrel oil leads to the pump price of \$10 a gallon at the gasoline pump, let me just ask you a simple question. Will the market support that? Will it?

Are you asking yourself at this point in your life, are you saying, "Okay, gasoline where I'm buying it is \$4.50, \$4.25." Maybe it's three dollars in some places if you're using regular. But are you asking yourself, are you telling yourself, "There is a price per gallon I'm just not going to buy it, or I'm going to really change the way I live." If it hasn't caused you to change yet, if it hasn't caused you to make changes -- I know some people it has forced them to make decisions where they spend other dollars. But for those of you not affected by it yet profoundly, is there a price where you're just going to say, "All right, bare minimum or I'm going to use mass transit," where you're just not going to buy it? You may not have thought about it specifically and consciously but in your head, there is a price at which point you're not going to pay it, because you can't. You just won't be able to.

I don't care what the commodity is. It can be food; it can be gasoline; it can be hotel rooms. The only exception to this is health care, by the

way. They can price health care whatever they want, and you will still go access it because you think somebody else is paying for it. But we don't have national gasoline insurance yet, and we don't have national corn food products insurance yet. So if gasoline gets to be ten bucks a gallon, and people don't buy it, what's going to happen? These people that produce these commodities cannot just arbitrarily price them as high as they want. You may think gasoline, oil companies, whatever, might look forward to \$10-a-barrel gasoline; but I will guarantee you they could have all the gasoline they want at \$10 a gallon, and if they don't sell it, it's worth nothing. Now, what happens...? If gasoline gets to \$10 a gallon, what happens to jet fuel? Can we talk about that for a minute? Now, you don't know the cost of jet fuel per se because you buy airline tickets. But jet fuel right now is as high as \$7.52 a gallon, \$6.50, \$5.50, depending on where you buy it. There's a much wider variety and price of jet A.

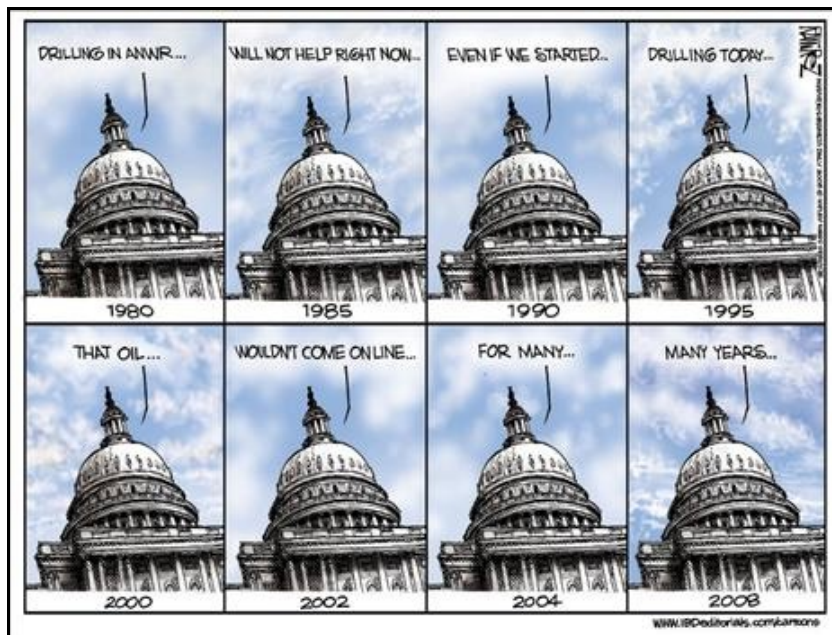
for that fuel, are you going to fly? You won't. What's going to happen? The only people that are gonna fly are the people that have to and that's going to be business. What's going to happen to the airlines? They can sit there with all these empty seats, and what good does it do 'em? My point is that these scare tactics of the barrel price per oil getting up to \$200 and gasoline at ten bucks a gallon and jet fuel to 15 or 20; if the market can't support it, it isn't going to stay there.

I've been through enough of these oil things and these so-called contrived shortages and these bubbles and so forth. I'll never forget when I was 18 and I got my first car. Gasoline is a quarter a gallon, and there were gas wars, and it wasn't long in the early seventies, shortly after I got my first car. Here came the contrived shortage from OPEC, and the price went up from 75 cents to a quarter. That was huge, a percentage increase.

Fifty cents was a huge percentage increase -- and then it came down. These things, they go up and they go down. I'm not sure this is a big bubble, but I'm going to tell you that markets work, and there is no way an astronomical, out-of-the-realm-of-possibility price for oil can be sustained or maintained if people will not buy it, or can't afford to. It's just that simple. Now, you can tax the oil companies all you want like the Democrats want to do with their new energy program, "windfall profits tax." You can do all of that. It isn't going to produce a drop of new energy -- and what we need is more supply. What we need is much more of this stuff, and there's no substitute for oil. You can sit there and you can think otherwise. You can think we're going to destroy ourselves. We're not going to destroy ourselves. We're not going to kill the

planet. (interruption) I know it's commercial time, but I'm on a roll. (sigh) Aw, jeez! Engineers, engineers.

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Well, what if jet A gets to \$20? If gasoline is going to get to ten, jet A is going to be 15. Are you gonna fly? At the prices the airlines are going to have to charge, the rates that they're gonna have to charge, the increases in their fares to pay

RUSH: Bill in Reading, Pennsylvania, nice to have you with us, sir. Hello.

CALLER: Hi, Rush. I agree with your market analysis. How much can the market bear, what kind of price. And I was scared when I read that article yesterday about \$200, and what was especially scary was the same Goldman analyst that did it a few years ago is the one that's doing it now, he predicted a hundred dollars and we thought that was too high and we're suffering now, and if he's right again, we're really going to be suffering. And Congress can deal with it by just lifting that 25-year moratorium on drilling.

RUSH: I know. I've got some statistics here, and I'm going to get them after the break 'cause I want to spend a little time talking with you here, but after the next break I'm going to get to -- I'll just give you one. In 1985 our domestic production in this country, or consumption -- well, make it production. Department of Energy, US oil production has fallen 40% since 1985 while consumption's grown more than 30%. In real barrels, US oil production is now below five million barrels a day. It was approximately nine million barrels a day in 1985. So our production has been cut in half in 20 years.

CALLER: Wow.

RUSH: And, see, it's been a slow bleed. That wasn't a dramatic overnight thing, and so its impact was not immediately felt. Now, at the same time, we've stopped drilling, we have stopped exploring for new sources, even though we know that it's there. According to federal government estimates, there is enough oil in the domestic areas, Gulf of Mexico and off the coasts and Alaska, 112 billion barrels. There's enough American oil we could go get, 112 billion barrels, which would be enough to power more than 60 million cars for 60 years, but we have moratoriums on drilling for all this. The environmentalists are the only ones who are happy about this. This is an attack on capitalism.

It's nothing about environment. It's nothing about saving the planet. It is an attack on capitalism and an attempt to cut this country down to size. And they're succeeding with the help of the Democrat Party.

CALLER: Exactly. And it's insane. It's insanity because people are suffering in the meantime. And we could be independent for 20 years with that amount of oil when you're talking about a hundred billion barrels.

RUSH: This is hard to say, but what you've just said is not arguable, more and more suffering.

CALLER: Yeah.

RUSH: More people are going to be suffering. And somebody is not obviously bothered by this.

CALLER: And it's crazy, because I know seniors that had to leave their homes this winter because they couldn't handle the heating fuel bills.

RUSH: Yeah, and of course who do seniors vote for? Democrats. Somebody is not that upset about all this suffering. Somebody enjoys it because they think it's going to translate to votes, folks. It's that simple.

BREAK TRANSCRIPT

RUSH: I just got an e-mail from a listener who said that the price of jet fuel in New York at LaGuardia at the fixed base operator there, the signature flight support, FBO is where private jets go, buy their gasoline, they're just gas stations, \$8.08 a gallon for jet A at the general aviation terminal at LaGuardia, \$8.08. Now, at some point -- I just want to talk market economics here to you -- at some point this price is going to reach a level that people can't afford it or will refuse to pay it for whatever reason and that price will no longer be supported. Markets work. I can guarantee you that the Democrats are not going to come along with gasoline insurance like health care. If anything, if you let these people get their

hands on this economy, they're going to start rationing this stuff. Folks, there is a lot of suffering out there. I mean, the economy is not in recession, but these price increases in food and gasoline staples have happened so quickly rather than gradually that they have far outpaced any income increases or wage increases the American people are experiencing. So these are hits, these are huge hits, and a number of people have already had to make changes in lifestyle decisions, that impact vacations, things like going out at night to dinner, what have you.

A lot of people here have been dramatically impacted by this. Some people haven't been yet. It's not affecting the country nationwide but it's affecting enough people. The prices are still at a level that people are still willing to pay them. Look at the NBA playoffs, these tickets are not cheap and their stands are full. Major League Baseball games, you know how much it costs to park at these things? You think prices are high in the grocery store, you know what they are at the concession stand, you're a captive audience, they're going to charge you ten bucks for a Vienna sausage they call a hot dog. They can do it. Where else you going to get it? If they catch you bringing your own stuff from home, they won't let you take it in. Security, don't you know. And so there's still a lot of people able to pay these things, pay the freight, but at some point those people are just going to refuse to. It's not going to make any sense. You ought to see what the ticket prices are going to be at the New York Yankees next year. A box seat behind the dugout, because they're going in a new stadium, gotta pay for it, you have to pay for it, Yankees fans, what did I read the other day, \$2,500 for one game for one seat. It can't be the season ticket price because there's 81 home games, it's those dugout seats, dugout to dugout, first couple rows, 2,500 bucks.

Now, they're going to be able to get it because they're in a population center where there are enough people who can and will pay that for that

kind of exclusivity. The cheap seats, upstairs in the upper deck, around \$250 a game. The point of all this is that despite the fact that there are people who are able to pay whatever things cost if they want to, there is still a lot of suffering, and the suffering can be noted not by directly viewing it, but by simply looking at the world of politics. And you see all these proposals coming up to take the gasoline tax holiday this summer. Now, I find it interesting that the people who oppose this around the corner, around the block, are elected officials, in many cases in both parties, but primarily the Democrats. While wailing and moaning about how unfair the oil companies are to you in charging all these high prices, they don't want you to get a little break, I don't care how little it might be, 30 bucks a summer. You combine the federal tax holiday with the state tax holiday, you're talking much more than 30 bucks, and you're talking much more than 18.4 cents a gallon. But my point here is, there's a lot of suffering out there, and I am sad to say this, but there are people who enjoy it, because they think they're going to benefit from it, because suffering in an election year equals votes for the opposite party.

I know that sounds cynical to a lot of you because a lot of you vote for these Democrats. Well, I don't know about you in this audience. A lot of people in this country vote for these Democrats because they somehow have been misguidedly believing that the Democrats are going to fix all these economic circumstances because they're gonna raise taxes on the rich, and they're gonna make things just as expensive for the rich as they are for everybody else. They're not going to make things more affordable for everybody else; they're just going to make it fair by soaking the rich. And you're supposed to sit out there and say, "Yeah, yeah, you soak 'em! You soak 'em! That will make me feel better while my hot dog still costs ten bucks." Now, I have a prediction to make to you on this barrel price of oil in gasoline, 'cause I've been through this. I'm middle-age now, 56, fiscally, 18 emotionally, in a lot of ways,

still have a lot of life in me. But I've been observant and I know that this is not going to last. It's not going to keep increasing at these rapid rates like these experts say it is. It might for a while, but at some point, folks, it's going to tumble. May not get back down to 80, I'm not going to predict where it's going to go, but these steady, unstoppable, uninterrupted increases as far as the eye can see are going to stop because they have to, because they're going to reach a level where nobody will be able to sell it at any level. The wholesalers won't be able to sell it. The refiners won't be able to sell what they refine. The gasoline stations won't be able to collect any money for it. People won't fly on airliners because they won't be able to afford the tickets.

That won't work. When that starts happening, what always happens, except in government, the price comes down. Now, in the government when people start riding the subways less, they raise the fares. In government, when they tell you to start conserving water because you're in a drought and you follow their instructions, their revenue falls so they raise your water rates even after you conserve. So you're going to get charged more by government for using less. It's the exact opposite of supply and demand. There's no supply and demand in government, and government is: You make it, and we take it. Thank you, Charles Rangel. The government objective is you make it, they take it. In the private sector when nobody's riding an airplane, they gotta get people on the airplane. The airplane doesn't make 'em any money sitting on the ground. The airplane has to be in the air, and it's gotta have people in it, and, if people can't afford to be in the airplane, the airplane is going to be on the ground. The only way to get people on the airplane is lower the price and I guarantee you this is going to happen. I'm a little cynical about when it's going to happen. Might happen before the election, in which case it would benefit the Republicans. Might happen after the election, in which case benefit the Democrats. The time frame involved in this is per chance.

The oil market is so big and so complex, there's no one company or person that can manage it, not even OPEC. They can dent it, but they don't produce all of the world's oil. So if OPEC limits their production, you're going to have some countries that are not OPEC members, "A-ha, here's our chance to sell more," and they're going to pump more. There's not one person, I don't care what anybody tells you, there's not one entity that can arbitrarily control the price of oil worldwide. The speculators have a lot of impact in this on the futures market, in the commodities market, but it is what it is. You can't do anything about that. It's just there. For example, for the last year, I have been hearing about, "The dollar, the dollar is falling, this is bad, why, it's horrible, why, the dollar is going to stop becoming international currency, and look at that, Iran and some other OPEC countries are wanting the dollar to be dropped as the currency that everybody uses." Then all of a sudden outta nowhere, I think it was late last week, out of nowhere, a single story: "Experts believe the dollar has bottomed out and is now on the rebound." Really? Really? And notice how that changed everybody's mood about this. Well, the people who are directly involved in that. It did, it changed their mood, "Oh, wow, we're coming back!" and Warren Buffett went out, I think it was Buffett, Buffett went out and said, "Hey, the crisis on Wall Street's over. Individuals still have some trouble ahead in the credit and the subprime problem, but Wall Street's been fixed because of the Bear Stearns bailout."

So immediately, on Wall Street, "Wow, Warren Buffett said the worst is over!" Somebody, someday is going to say the oil price topped out. Then it's going to come down. Markets work, folks. They really do. And when you get to a point, if \$200-a-barrel oil hits a year from now, I will guarantee you it cannot stay there. I don't think it could stay at a price halfway to \$200-a-barrel. It can't be supported. Not on a mass basis. There are always going to be some people around the world, a precious few in every



country who are going to be able to buy whatever they want, whatever it costs. They are a precious few, but there are not enough of them to affect the overall supply and demand. I just saw a picture. You automobile freaks probably have seen this. I've seen it twice now. Some United Arab Emirates sheik has this little Mercedes, looks like it's an SL, convertible, two-door, pink with diamonds all over it. I mean, some people just have so much wealth they're looking for outrageous ways to spend it. They are not going to be the ones that determine the market, because that sheik that has all that money to put diamonds all over his Mercedes got his money from oil being pumped out of wells in his country, and if there aren't enough people that can buy it at the price at 200 bucks, it's going to come down because the objective of all these commodities is to sell 'em except when the government's involved and we subsidize people not to sell it, and we put it in silos and it's all that sort of stuff.

But when we're talking about the free market, all these artificial guesses with oil and so forth, you mark my words, I don't know when, but it's all going to come down. It's going to come down at some more manageable level than now, and when that happens, just the fact that it's coming down -- and gasoline prices will drop as well. I know you're hearing people, "We're never going to go back to three-dollar gasoline," and you're thinking, "Oh, no!" We might. Nobody knows. What we have is commonplace in the media, a bunch of gloom, doom paranoia, stuff that's designed to scare you to death, to create crisis. But at some point, these prices are going to come down, and when they start dropping, everybody's attitude's going to

go up. "Wow, the price is coming down, all right, makes more sense." And things will level off and get back to more normal circumstances. My cynical nature is that all this stuff is going to happen so close to the election here, either before it or after it, that people are going to start attaching the fact that people are waving magic wands to make it happen. But I am telling you this, and I say this with all honesty, and I know that it's sometimes hard for people to hear, but if you doubt me, don't. There are elected officials in the Democrat Party who are convinced they will benefit from the suffering associated with high food prices and high gasoline prices and throw incumbents -- i.e., Republicans -- out of office. If you think they don't think that way -- and they're out there talking about how hard it is for you and how much they relate and how much they feel for you, and how much they're going to fix this, and they're going to get even with the people that do this to you. But they never do. They let you suffer. So that you'll get so mad at whoever is in power at the time, whether they had anything to do with this or not, that you will get rid of 'em.

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RUSH: Let me give you some more oil data here. Again, according to the US Department of Energy, US oil production has fallen approximately 40% since 1985, while US consumption has grown more than 30%. So in real barrels, US oil production is now below five million barrels a day. It was approximately nine million barrels a day in 1985. So in 23 years -- and see, it's happened slow. The market impact here has been slow, it's been gradual, but we've cut our production in half in 25 years -- and, by the way, can I ask you a question, folks? In doing that, in those 25 years, global warming's gotten worse, has it not? And in those 25 years the planet's gotten dirtier, has it not? According to what these people say. In the 25 years that we have stopped producing oil by half, we have cut our oil production in half, in 23 years; in those same 23 years, the environmentalist wackos who are behind this keep telling us how rotten things are getting, how horrible things are getting, and we're destroying the environment; the polar bears, the planet, you name it.

We've been getting the blame for it! Yet we've cut our production in half. And you can see one of the results of this is the price that we're all paying for this stuff, oil-related products today. At the same time -- now, this is going to really frost you -- while in the last 23 years we have cut our production in half, the government has put billions of barrels of domestic oil and natural gas off limits to domestic exploration. According to federal government estimates, there is enough oil in the areas that we are now place off limits, 112 billion barrels to power more than 60 million cars for 60 years without importing a drop. It's off limits. The government, because of the environmentalists. So we're not producing this. We're not getting this. We've cut our own actual production in half in 25 years, and they still blame us for destroying the planet. We keep hearing about ANWR.

Had President Clinton not vetoed exploration in ANWR in 1995 -- oil was \$19 a barrel in 1995 --

America would currently be receiving over a million barrels a day from Alaska. Experts estimate that ANWR contains 5.6 to 16 billion barrels of recoverable oil. Okay, now at \$123 a barrel -- and, by the way, ten years ago they said, "Well, it will take ten years to get the first drop. We can't do it." It's been ten years or more. We'd have had it, it would be online. Now they say, "It would be ten years if we start. We can't count on that." There are people, elected officials -- Democrats and some Republicans and entire members of the leftist environmentalist wacko organization -- who don't want this country to be energy sufficient and independent. The environmental movement in this country is largely comprised of -- the militant and wacko realm of it, consists of -- displaced communists and socialists who want this country down to size because it's not fair to everybody.

The Outer Continental Shelf in the United States contains over 44 billion barrels of oil, and 232 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. Eighty-five percent of the outer continental shelf is off limits to domestic exploration. Can I put it to you another way? Forty-four billion barrels of oil and 232 trillion cubic feet of natural gas are out there just off the coast, and 85% of it is off limits to domestic production. Yet we have this whining and moaning about dependence on foreign oil, and the resulting price increase. In the Gulf of Mexico, there is enough natural gas to heat 60 million homes for another 160 years. Can you imagine that quantity? Sixty million homes for another 160 years! However, more than 85% of the coastal waters adjacent to the lower 48 states -- which extend up 200 miles from our shores -- are off limits to oil exploration. You can't get the natural gas if you don't get the oil. It's a by-product.

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## Liberal Caller Disputes Rush on Oil

RUSH: When we go to the phones, some people want to talk about the subject we've been discussing recently, which is oil and gasoline prices and so forth, the energy costs that we all face right now. I want to get even a little bit more cynical. In addition to the natural cynicism I have that... Well, this is not cynicism; this is something I know. I can't prove this, but I just know it. I know it in my gut and you do, too. There are people, elected officials, who expect to benefit from all the suffering -- if you don't like the word "suffering," the challenges -- that people are facing, the anger and the decisions they're having to make here in how they change the way they live because of the price of food and the price of gasoline. We haven't even talked about the trucking industry yet, but all this stuff is linked. I just saw... I was in the top-of-the-hour break. I was watching CNBC. The trucker companies all had a meeting in Washington today, and they're beside themselves. It takes \$1,800 in diesel to fill up the tanks of an 18-wheeler is what the graphic on CNBC said.

Well, that's got a breaking point, too. At some point if these guys are going to pay \$1,800 every time they fill up an 18-wheeler, they're going to have to raise what they charge to transport things. But they can only raise their price what people are willing to pay, and if you've got smaller companies who can get by, by paying \$1,800 a fill-up with less pain than others, all this stuff works together, and it's getting near a breaking point -- and all of this, for lack of a better word, suffering. I really believe that there are people who expect to benefit from this greatly, and not just people who get votes. For example, I've about had it with people who say, "We need to put solar panels on the roof. We all need to be driving the light rail. We all need to be

in mass transit. We need to alter the way we drive and the way we travel around." What happens if all the airlines just get put out of business? What happens? I'll guarantee you what will happen. We'll have a national airline like Amtrak. That's what will happen, in the interests of "making sure that mode of transportation survives," the government will come along and subsidize some airline, it will be run by them, and it's going to be a mess.

Everybody is worried about that. We're getting to the point now. Would you pay, if you lived here in Florida, a thousand or 1,500 bucks to fly coach to New York, or \$2,000 to fly coach? Most people can't and wouldn't, and what happens then? Well, if the market were left alone, the price would come down to where people could or these places would just go out of business, one of the two; and something would be there to pick up the slack because, despite what the madcap environmentalists want, people are going to fly. The economy requires it. Economic growth requires expansion in all of these areas that we're talking about. For people to have increased opportunity, increased salaries and wages and so forth, there has to be growth -- and if we start contracting in some of these businesses, that's not going to happen, and there are people who want that. Because that then makes more and more people dependent, and that then convinces more and more people, "Okay, we need to start changing our lightbulbs and unplugging our toasters when we're not using them, and don't use the cell phones as much."

All that garbage that has nothing to do with anything will be said to be a cure-all for this -- and the little socialist nannies who want control over as much of your daily life as they can get, are going to have a wide open door to come in and do it, because they'll be the only solution you have. So it's a crucial thing. But see, internal optimist I am, based on intelligence guided by experience, these are bubbles; and this bubble's going to burst at some point because markets

work. Now, again, I don't know how cheap oil's going to drop, and I don't know how cheap gasoline's going to drop. But there's going to be a point where the price, whatever it gets up to, cannot be supported by the market. By that I mean everybody in it, and when that happens, one of two things has to happen and the one thing that's going to happen is the price is going to come down, and supply is going to go up. There's not a shortage, despite what anybody tells you, there isn't a shortage. Can I give you an example?

The United Arab Emirates airlines or some such thing just bought 30 or 40 giant jumbo jets over the next 30 or 40 years. If you look at people planning their businesses and making these purchases of major equipment that is a major user of fossil fuel, people are buying. They're upgrading. If there wasn't going to be any fossil fuel 30 or 40 years from now, do you think people would be buying these airplanes? Do you think manufacturers would be designing new ones? Gulfstream, which manufactures corporate aircraft, a month ago announced the new G650. And it's going to be the biggest corporate airplane out there, aside from the Boeing business jet, which is a 737. But it's going to be bigger. It's going to be a little bit more fuel efficient. They sold, in the first week... They had deposits were I think a half million dollars, 600 deposits the first day; 600 orders. They've had to build two... They were going to build one factory, one plant to manufacture this new airplane. It won't roll off the assembly line 'til 2012. You can't even see one except a computer mock-up.

You can go up to Savannah where they're going to make it and you can sit in a mock-up of the interior, but you can't see the actual airplane; it's not even been built yet. It's just on a computer. They might have a mock-up of one full size, but it's not the actual airplane. It won't roll off 'til 2012. People are lining up to buy these things left and right. Now, I would bet that 75% of the orders are from overseas, but they're still being

ordered. Now, would you buy an airplane if you didn't think that there's going to be fuel for it? Would you make a new airplane if you didn't think there was going to be fuel for them to fly? Of course not. So all of the real-life indications are that there's plenty of energy out there, and the bet is of the people in this business, it's going to be plentiful, and it's going to be affordably priced -- all things being equal and relative -- otherwise these kind of expansions wouldn't be taking place. Against all this, we have the real-world circumstances of the price of diesel, the price of gasoline -- and, let's face it, most people don't fly corporate airplanes. They don't have the budgets that big corporations have to fly these things around have.

But against all this, is the news that we're going to hell in a handbasket and it's getting worse and there's no end in sight for it, when in fact there is. Everything here is just cyclical. This does not ameliorate the fact that at this moment in time, it is bad news on the energy front and on the food front in a lot of places. It's all going to bubble out. It's all going to come around. The question is: "Are some businesses going to have to go out of business before that happens? Will some airlines just give up?" Look at this. Who did Delta just merge with? They announced a merger with Northwest, right? Both of these companies are losing money, it's incredible, and yet they're merging. Okay, why? Why are they doing this? Efficiencies. They're combining their assets. They're adding to their fleet. The more airplanes you have and the more you can fill 'em up, the more you can put in the air. The more you can reduce your debt load. But what are they going to need to do that? They're gonna need fuel.

They must be banking on the fact that there's going to be plenty of fuel and they gotta be banking on the fact it's going to be affordable at some point, otherwise the merger doesn't make sense. If you look at real-life circumstances, you see that people whose job it is to factor years in the future are making bets on the positive side --

while the Drive-By Media is telling everybody how worse it's going to get, how rotten it is, how terrible it is. And, of course, it's Bush's fault, or Cheney's fault, or the war in Iraq's fault, or what have you, and trying to turn it into a political issue. Or it's the speculators' fault. It's somebody's fault. There's some cabal of people that want you to suffer and they're sitting there manipulating the price above and beyond the market. That isn't the case, but there are people that want you to suffer. There are people that want you to be challenged. There are people that want you to be mad about this, and there are people that want you blaming people and companies, industries, for this, 'cause they will benefit. Nine out of ten times these are the same people who also try to convince you that they stand for you -- "The Little Guy," the average American -- that you can count on them to make sure this kind of stuff doesn't happen to you, and when it does, they're the ones in private going, "We got 'em right where we want 'em!"

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RUSH: I need to make a little asterisk point, when I mentioned that the price of jet fuel at LaGuardia at the private jet terminal is \$8.08, that's way above average. I've seen it as high as \$7.52 in Palm Springs. But it probably would average between five and six bucks right now. The point about LaGuardia is they don't want private jets going in there because it's so crowded with commercial traffic. The landing fees for private aircraft at LaGuardia are just prohibitively high. They just don't want you going there. They'll let you in there, they have to if you want to go, but you have to get a slot. You have to pay exorbitant landing fees. I don't know what it is now. It's exorbitant. And the fuel price, it's all combined to keep you outta there, if you're a corporate plane. But a lot of people like it because it's so damn close to the city, just come across the Triborough Bridge and you're in.

At any rate, Chris, in Jacksonville Florida. We'll start with you on the phones. Hello, and welcome to the EIB Network, sir. Hello.

CALLER: Hey, happy cigar smoking conservative dittos.

RUSH: Thank you, sir, very much.

CALLER: I'm just curious, I've got a two-part question. One, if supply is relatively flat or constant throughout the world, why would -- I'm really nervous -- but why would, on a given day, the futures traders speculate, which would drive up the price of oil? Case in point, when the simian from Iran sends his little minions out in their little bug-smashing boats, there's no way that that should have, you know, caused hostility on the market --

RUSH: You know, this is an excellent point. I, unfortunately, am not sufficiently informed and educated on the workings of these futures markets, the commodities market, to answer your question. All I can do is share with you the perplexity. Okay, so Ahmadinejad, Iran -- do you know Iran has the largest oil refinery in the world? If Ahmadinejad wants the price of oil up, all he's gotta do is threaten to blow up Israel, and the speculators, oh, no, oh, no, the price of oil goes up, markets roiled. If Ahmadinejad wants to raise the price of oil again all he's gotta do, the great Satan, the United States, if we're attacked, we're nuking somebody, oh, no, speculators go nuts. And not just the speculators market. Do you not get a little tired of every time some single economic report comes out on the supply of chickens, and the stock market, oh, go, no -- the stock market, sell off -- the way this stuff is explained defies common sense to me, the way the stock market works, all the futures market. I do have a little blurb here that just cleared the Wall Street Journal wire. "The surge in food and energy prices is being driven by constrained supply and growing demand in developing countries, rather than an investment bubble,

according to the majority of economists in the latest Wall Street Journal forecasting survey." They're basically absolving from blame the speculators.

The Journal survey says that most economists say food and energy prices and the surge in those prices is not due to speculators, but rather the old standbys of supply and demand. Supply, that's an interesting thing. You know, the supply can be defined any number of ways. Look at the supply of oil we have that we're not getting. So there's all kinds of oil in all kinds of places that some people say still the price isn't high enough to get it and make a profit, others say you can't go get it because of environmental and federal government regulations and prohibitions, moratoriums, blah, blah, blah. So you deal with the supply that's actually being brought out of the ground every day and the supply that's being refined. And in that case there's no question there's an increasing demand for it as these poor countries start getting richer and people in them get rid of the rickshaws and get rid of the bicycles, they want to drive cars, they need gasoline, and you're talking about gazillions of people in China and India who might be experiencing increased economic circumstances.

Jim in Santa Rosa, California, glad you called. Welcome to the program, sir.

CALLER: Hi, Rush. Mega dittos from wine country.

RUSH: Thank you, sir.

CALLER: Hey, I heard something, it's just a question regarding hedge funds. What I had heard is that when the normally buy futures, commodities, whatever, they're required to put up a 50% collateral, or financial collateral, but when they buy oil futures, they're only required to put up 5%. You know, does that sound right?

RUSH: No. But again, you know, I hate to say this, but I have to -- I don't really know how the commodities and futures markets work on that basis. I don't know what the reason for that would be. I would only speculate, and I couldn't possibly.

CALLER: I would just think that this would enable them to invest a lot more money in oil futures to really drive it up.

RUSH: It would require them to. Your theory is if they had to put 50% down they wouldn't be speculating as high?

CALLER: Correct.

RUSH: And so the price wouldn't be going up as high? Yeah, you know, the speculators are getting their share of blame here, but as I said, the Wall Street Journal just issued this survey of economists. The Wall Street Journal just said, survey of a lot of economists, the speculators, the commodities market has nothing to do with these price increases, strictly a function of supply and demand. Well, I don't know. I'm getting suspicious of all these surveys of economists because every damn time we get an economic report, these people are surprised. Unemployment claims go down, unexpected. First quarter economic growth, 0.6%, total shock, economists expecting recession. So a survey of economists, hell's bells, folks, everything's so damn political now anyway. Science has become politicized. Economics clearly is. So without knowing who these people are and what their agenda is, yeah, it's tough to put a lot of weight on it.

Bob in Charleston, South Carolina, nice to have you, sir. Hello.

CALLER: Yes.

RUSH: Hello, sir.



CALLER: Thank you for taking my call.

RUSH: You bet.

CALLER: Yeah, I want to talk about the sales tax.

RUSH: Yeah.

CALLER: Yes. On that, being a truck driver, our trucks get like six, top seven, miles per gallon.

RUSH: Right.

CALLER: And we put on, minimum, 2,500 miles, you know, some of these over the road drivers and some of them are probably smiling now, calling me a slacker. Point being, if somebody puts in 2,500 miles per week, okay, and you multiply that out, a driver is getting \$50 more in his pocket per week, \$200 per month, \$600 per summer, another stimulus package for a truck driver, and there's a lot of trucks out there. Now, you take it a step further --

RUSH: Yeah. This is because the diesel price has risen far faster than the gasoline price has. And these guys, you know, 1,800 bucks a fill-up, it would make a huge difference, the gas tax holiday, there's no question.

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RUSH: Houston, Texas, this is Bill. Superb to have you with us, sir. Hello.

CALLER: Hey. Good to hear, Rush. Hey, just thinking about it, you know, and I've been thinking about this for a long time, and as I watch the gas pump go up, and I watch all these energy commodities around me such as our electric bill, you look at what Enron did not too long ago, and I thought we learned our lesson with Enron, but I think we're seeing the same thing, the exact same thing when it comes to paying our energy bills, you know, why is it half as much per kilowatt hour in a city like San Antonio where it's twice the price in Houston? Same electricity,

same power plant, but my goodness, something's wrong here. There's one person winning here, and it's the traders, and it's the trade managers, because every time they change their job, they up their salary 30%, they do that probably every six months, and they snatch 'em up. So those people are winning, and all we're doing is paying the bill when it comes to electricity, when it comes to gas. And gas traders are making their 30% salary increase every six months. And we're just getting sick and tired of it down here in Texas.

RUSH: Well, I wouldn't call this synonymous with Enron. I mean, Enron was an accounting disaster. Enron was selling stuff that didn't exist.

CALLER: But that's what the traders are doing. The traders are literally creating something that doesn't exist, which is a panic. That's exactly what they're doing.

RUSH: Well, the panic exists, no, the panic exists. You know, all of these attitudes are real. They exist. They've been created.

CALLER: Well, the global warming thing as well. I mean, we're supposedly in this energy crisis, and what's amazing is we have the technology, America's a great country, we not only have the technology --

RUSH: We don't -- see, look, if you want to draw a parallel here, you gotta go back to the seventies when OPEC was keeping oil off the market, and we all thought we had a shortage. Even back in the seventies I can remember there were these wacko scientists telling us we only have 30 years of oil left. Guess what? It's been 30 years.

CALLER: Yeah.

RUSH: We got all kinds of oil out there. There is no shortage. What there is a shortage of is producing it. We've got more oil under the ground in all parts of this planet than what we

know what to do with. There is an environmental wacko movement that exists to keep it in the ground for obvious reasons, which mostly are political, disguised by their so-called concerns for the planet and pollution and all of that sort of stuff, but these people graduating away with attacks on capitalism. Again, I don't live in Texas, I can't address specifically the differences in price between Houston and San Antonio per kilowatt hour. I would just be making a wild guess on that and you don't even want to do that.

**CALLER:** But it's interesting, because the free market, deregulation when it came to power producing was supposed to reduce the cost of our electric bills and ever since these companies started, you know, deregulating, getting away from the regulated market, which was the municipalities regulating the energy-- and I'm not saying this Democratic policy of regulation is a good thing, but it seemed like there's a lot more people lining their pockets since deregulation has happened. And Enron was basically the seed child to start that process. I think what's happened is some of these traders that were in the power generation market have moved over to the oil industry and said, oh, here's another energy market that we can rape and pillage.

**RUSH:** I have to step in here. There's a singular problem here. You are blaming the businesses involved, and this is something that you've been conditioned to do, and now you're blaming deregulation, which is something you've been conditioned to do, and who's conditioning you to blame business and deregulation? Well, the people who are antibusiness and for regulation. I ask you, who are those people? They are currently embodied en masse in what is called the Democrat Party. Take a look their enemies list. Who are they going to get even with? Big Retail, Wal-Mart; Big Pharmaceutical, Big Drug; Big Oil. They're going to get Big Food. That's who they're going to destroy. Those people are making too much money. You sit around and you think all these executives are making all this

money while your electric rates are going up, and you hear what the Democrats say, amplified and echoed by the Drive-By Media, and you are convinced that every business is an Enron, and every business is not an Enron. Very few businesses are Enron. If most businesses were Enron, the CEOs would be in jail. This gets frustrating because there are bad actors in every walk of life.

You've got cheaters in professional sports. You've got cheaters in business. You have cheaters in prison. You have cheaters in the school playground. You've got little wheeler-dealer 12-year-olds that are ripping off their friends. These people are everywhere. But to say they define an institution such as America's corporate industry is a mistake, and it's not going to help you at all because you're never going to be open to the truthful explanation which is always going to be found in economics as to why prices go up and down. Economics will explain this 99% of the time and in the end it always will be because the people you're talking about end up getting caught one way or another. May not happen as quickly as you like. What is lining their pockets? What businesses are more people lining their pockets? What does that mean? Profit has always existed, thank God. Profit is the motive! Now, some people think that a utility ought not be profit-oriented because it's there to serve the community, and so it ought not cost you and the community any more than it costs the utility to produce the power, the electricity, whatever they're providing you on a monthly basis. Can't happen, folks, people have to work at that utility. That utility has to compete for power with other utility companies. They have to be business people. Business people get tarred and feathered routinely in this country.

Look at the Democrats' energy plan. The Democrats' energy plan that they announced yesterday is anything but an energy plan. It is a punishment, and it's designed to appeal to people who think everybody in the world's lining

up to screw them. Remember, it wasn't long ago I did a monologue and I asked you to think back 30 years ago, what about America were you proud of? We were proud of the auto industry, 30, 40, 50 years ago, you name it. We were proud of our airline industry. It was a big thrill to fly on TWA or American. We were proud. We got dressed up. We put on coats and ties to go on airplane trips. We were proud of the auto industry. We were proud of the institutions and traditions that have made the country great. Now, after 30 to 40 years of dominance in the media by liberals and people that don't particularly like this country, the way it's constituted, guess what? You hate Big Oil now. You despise 'em. They're trying to talk you into hating Wal-Mart. Tough sell. You hate the insurance companies. You just know they exist to screw you. You hate the health care industry, 'cause you know they don't care about your well-being. You have been told to hate the US auto industry 'cause they're making junk, they're purposely making junk, they want you to buy junk, and they're charging through the roof for it because they don't care about you.

You are being told that some companies actually want to kill their customers! You have been told to hate Big Tobacco, because Big Tobacco exists to destroy its customer base. Big Tobacco exists to make sure as many people as possible get cancer. Right? Of course, the more their customers die, what do they buy? What's a dead person buy? When's the last time you saw a cadaver walk into the 7-Eleven and say, "I want a carton of Luckys?" Okay, I know, so Big Tobacco, they have diversified and now they own Big Cookie like Oreo and Nabisco. So now they're killing you with sugar and trans fat. So Big Oil, Big Tobacco, they're all trying to kill us. This is what people think. They're all trying to screw us and we hate our country, and we despise it, or are being taught to, when in fact none of these industries has that as an objective at all. These industries have obstacles to doing business at an affordable price each and every day, and in large

part you can find them sitting in the United States Senate. The US House with their various oversight committees and bringing these people in and saying, "Why are you killing your customers and why are you lying to us?" And, meanwhile, the very people in the House and Senate and these committees who are interrogating these people who take risks that you and I can't understand and would never take ourselves, in order to bring products to the market at an affordable price, these people sit in judgment of them, and they couldn't produce a drop of gasoline for your car if their life depended on it.

They couldn't design an airplane to get off the ground and build it and hire people to do it if their life depended on it. These people wouldn't know how to come up with a drug to help you with the flu or the common cold or penicillin that you need for an infection. They couldn't do any of this, and yet they sit there as experts in all of this and tell these people who have risked everything, in a lot of cases, how to do what they do? And then the Democrats in this energy crunch come up with an energy bill, Harry Reid presents it to the Senate yesterday, and all it is is a massive tax increase on energy companies. It doesn't produce a drop of oil. It doesn't produce a drop of gasoline. It doesn't create one lightbulb, even a compact fluorescent. It doesn't produce one automobile. It doesn't produce a battery. It doesn't come up with any so-called alternative. It just taxes. Windfall profits tax on Big Oil. However, Big Oil can avoid the windfall profits tax if it puts the profit into alternative fuels. I'm sorry. If Big Oil puts the profit into alternative fuels, guess what they can't do? Drill and explore for more oil. Guess what else is going to happen? Windfall profits tax on Big Oil, they're just going to stop producing oil in the United States, subject to the tax. And so our production will fall even more.

People will always avoid taxation when they can, and the oil business is a worldwide business. The

oil executives, like any other executive in the world, is going to go wherever he can to lower his cost of doing business as low as it can be, which is why the truckers are upset, because they have to have diesel. They have to have it. They can't lower their cost of doing business. They have to try to pass on those increased costs, and sometimes they can't pass 'em all on, and they take the hit. And yet you've been told to hate Big Truck, too, because Big Truck pollutes and Big Truck is dangerous and Big Truck drives the hybrid off the highway, plus Big Truck generally is conservative, you can't trust them. This business of hating deregulation, hating big business, avoid the programmed effort and technique to make that happen to you, because the people who are against deregulation are the regulators. Those are people in bureaucracy; those are people in government, Republican, Democrat, I don't care. And when they regulate without any legislation, when they're given power to regulate our lives, sitting in some bureaucracy, what that means is, they have the power to reduce and restrict our freedom. Regulations are simply chains on freedom disguised as the government caring for us. It's a crock!

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RUSH: Here's another thing, ladies and gentlemen. While you're being told to hate Big Pharmaceutical and Big Oil and Big Tobacco and Big Retail and big everything else, who are you being told to love? Who are you being conditioned to think is the only institution, what is the only institution that's going to protect you from all these predators that are trying to screw you? Government. You're being told to love government. They care for you! They care about you. You're being told to love candidates who care for you, while they're out destroying the producers. By the way, I was in error a moment ago. I said that these businesses do not line their pockets, that the profit motive is the profit motive. I was mistaken. There is a "business," quote, unquote, that exists for many reasons; among them to line the pockets of the people in

it -- and it's called US politics. You explain to me how some schlub who doesn't have a dime gets elected to the House of Representatives, earns whatever he earns in there -- 140 grand -- and ten years later has a net worth of two or three million!

Explain to me how that happens if somebody's pockets are not being "lined." I would simply ask those of you who have all of this venom aimed at private sector business people who are producing, taking risks, avoiding the obstacles, fighting the obstacles placed in front of them. Reserve some of that venom for the people actually doing what you think is happening out there. We had the caller from Houston who wanted to talk about the "deregulated" market. Would somebody explain to me where the energy market is deregulated? I don't see it. Let me explain this, folks. We can't drill. We can't refine. We can't transport without government involvement through regulations and taxes. The permit process can take years to get permission to displace one flamingo. The market extends well beyond the US, as I have said. We're hamstringing ourselves. What deregulated market? Somebody show me where it is.

You want to influence the global market in a more significant way, then we have to participate in that market in a more significant way. We need to become net producers. I talked to a guy who just got back from Qatar the other day, Dubai. He couldn't believe what's going on up over there, all the construction, everything gone wild. He said, "You know what? They don't have to deal with the environmentalists. They just build and they do it right, and they take care of the environmental concerns because they want what they're building to last and they want people to buy the stuff and live in it." We have tried it the liberal way, folks. We're trying the liberal way right now. They have stopped us from drilling; they have stopped us from refining. We've been doing this for four decades. The Democrat energy policy has been in place for four decades.

They have trashed the oil companies; they have trashed the American consumer for four decades. We are where we are. They don't want to take the blame for this. They want to blame Big Oil. The restrictions, regulations, obstacles are in our way thanks to liberalism.

### **Rush on the Republican Attack Machine**

RUSH: Mary in Champaign, Illinois, nice to have you on the EIB Network. Hello.

CALLER: Hey, Rush!

RUSH: Hi.

CALLER: Hi. It's great to speak with you.

RUSH: Thank you very much.

CALLER: My question is kind of about the new -- seems like the new term that the Drive-Bys keep throwing out there is about the "vicious Republican attack machine," and I just kind of wanted to get your opinion on what you think about that and why that seems to be so prevalent in this primary.

RUSH: May I ask you a question first?

CALLER: Yeah.

RUSH: You're not supposed to ask women their age, but I would like to know. Give me an age range because I need to know how much experience you have paying attention to politics and media in election years.

CALLER: I'm 22.

RUSH: Twenty-two. All right. Well, I love getting calls from people your age so I can tell you that every election year we hear about the Republican attack machine.



CALLER: Okay. (giggles)

RUSH: Now, there is no Republican attack machine. The Republican Party, as a party, does not have an attack machine. The Republican Party doesn't even have a defense machine. The Republican Party is just sitting around twiddling its thumbs and hoping people continue to send it money. The place where there are activists is in conservatism. And because of the total inability, lack of desire of the Republican Party to actually play this game according to the rules set by the aggressor, which is the Democrats; activists on the conservative side, such as the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth will surface and tell people the truth about the Democrat nominee, John Kerry. Now, what you have to understand when you hear liberal Democrats or the media talking about a Republican attack machine, the translation for that is: "Damn Republicans! They're going to tell the truth about us again." A Republican "attack" or any "attack" on a Democrat or a liberal is by definition the truth, and as such, it's "vicious" and it is "mean," and it's "uncalled for," and we should not engage in attacks. The Democrats don't want the truth about themselves told and broadcast. So that's what the Republican attack machine is. The official Republican Party doesn't have one, conservatives who care about the future of the country in an ideological sense,

know that defeating liberals is key to moving the country forward according to the way we see it; and as such, there are groups that will come forward, produce their own ads. Those groups now are, you know, probably going to be denounced by our Republican nominee, Senator McCain, if they happen to go too negative. But there is no Republican attack machine. There is a conservative survival machine, and it exists entirely to tell the truth!

## Rush on God's Creation

RUSH: Back to the phones. Mike in Atlanta, glad you called, sir. Welcome to the EIB Network. Hello.

CALLER: Thank you for taking my call, Rush. Greetings from the Peach State. Rush, you were talking earlier about the month of April, last month, the average temperature being the coldest on record in 114 -- or the 29th coldest.

RUSH: Yeah.

CALLER: In 114 years. It made me wonder, and now I've waited to talk to you, in fact it's gotten me worried, what are the dire predictions for global cooling?

RUSH: There are no dire predictions for global cooling, and in fact the objective of global warming and the objective of the global warming monikers is to stop the warming and that is to cause cooling. And of course this is ostensibly supposed to be good. But there is nothing negative here about global cooling whatsoever, other than perhaps a new ice age.

CALLER: Well, that was my concern. Are we headed toward an ice age now?

RUSH: Who knows. There are a lot of people who think that we're headed for a mini-ice age; that we're headed for a profound period of cooling. And, in fact, even the global warming believers, all these scientists involved in their consensus supporting their hoax -- and I mentioned this the other day, just to remind you -- they found something. They found currents in both the Atlantic and the Pacific which are going to cool the planet for the next 10-to-12 years and delay the onset of global warming. But after that, after these 10-to-12 years, look out, because it's going to start sizzling again. Now, they couldn't explain why all of a sudden this unstoppable warming is going to be arrested for 10-to-12 years. They chalked it up to natural climate variations. And of course these are ocean currents. I think one of them is La Nina. I don't know what it is in the Atlantic, but they're concerned. Some of the pro-global warming people, they're looking at their little models -- they're not even looking at models in this case, they're looking at actuals -- they can see these temperatures the same as you and I. And so they've gotta do something because it's not going to do what they say it's going to do the next ten years, which is why they're very cagey and smart, talk about the next 50 years, the next 60 years, none of us are going to be alive to see whether these people are right or not.





But they still want us to engage in policies that would wreck this economy in order to fix something that isn't happening. So now this cooling has come along, oops, well, natural variations, natural climate variations. Isn't that interesting? Folks, I know this is common sense to you and me, because you and me, we know that all these climate occurrences are natural, and not one of them is artificial. Meaning we're not causing it! We couldn't cause it if we wanted to, is the point. Can we make it cooler when it's burning hot out there? Can we make it warmer when we're freezing our tushes in the winter? We can't do this. So there are natural climate variations that are cooling the planet right now. This is the earth taking care of what man is doing to her. Well, if there are natural climate variations that can cool the planet, why can't there be natural climate variations that warm the planet? Well, obviously there can be. Now, I had an interview with our Official EIB Climatologist, Roy Spencer on the phone on Tuesday afternoon for the upcoming issue of the Limbaugh Letter. By the way, the upcoming issue of the Limbaugh Letter is about oil, and it is a brilliant, brilliant issue. And it will be next month's. But in talking to Dr. Spencer, I said, "Dr. Spencer --" you know, he's a scientist, used to be at NASA, now he's at the University of Alabama at Huntsville, and I said, "You're a man of science. What's the best way to combat this in terms of changing the minds and hearts of the American people?" His first answer to me was, "I don't think we're going to have to do anything. I think the next seven to ten years are going to show that we're not warming and, in fact, may be cooling and the global warming crowd is going to be discredited in and of itself. And I said, "Well, that's nice, if that happens," but I don't think they're going to allow that to happen. I think they're going to portray anything that happens in climate as a result of global warming. And they're going to say these next 10-to-12 years of cooling are simply the earth compensating for the attempt to destroy the planet by man, but at some point the

earth will lose the competition between nature and man.

And I said, "Dr. Spencer, let me illustrate something for you. Take Stephen Hawking. The smartest man on the planet, whoever it is, let's just say it's Stephen Hawking, okay? And let's take Stephen Hawking off the earth, let's put him somewhere else in the universe, and there is no earth. And we say to Dr. Hawking, "Dr. Hawking, I want you to create the climate of the planet earth that God is going to create. I want you to put all of the systems in it. I want you to account for all the complexity. I want you to populate it." And Dr. Spencer said, "Well, it's a good illustration. It's impossible." Precisely, it's impossible. There is not a human being alive who, if given a chalkboard or a computer, could sit down and put together the mathematics and whatever else is necessary to create this climate. So on what basis do we think we can change it? So much of this is just common sense. But to understand the global warming hoax I am convinced one has to have a more than rudimentary understanding of liberalism. One has to be willing, open-mindedly, to accept that science has been corrupted by politics.

Science is not pure. We've always thought that it was. We've always thought that science was immune to political and ideological concerns. But it isn't. In fact, science has now become -- quote, unquote, science -- has become a home for displaced socialists and communists to advance their agenda of anti-capitalism wherever they can. A lot of people don't want to believe that. See, I try to approach it on a commonsense basis. Oh, yeah, we can destroy the planet, right? Driving our cars.

Have you seen the pictures of this volcano eruption? Where was this? Where did this volcano erupt? Chile. The one in Chile, have you seen the pictures of this volcano? Have you seen the amount of ash that was spewed into the sky from this volcano? I have to take a break. I'm

going to make my point when we come back after an obscene profit time-out. Don't go away.  
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RUSH: On the 7th of May, a couple of days ago the UK Daily Mail published some color pictures of the aftermath of the eruption of the volcano in southern Chile. Now, I think this eruption was the first in a few thousand years or some such thing. These pictures are amazing. I'm not talking about just the pictures of the ash, but I want Koko to go get this story, put it on the website later tonight when we update to reflect the contents of today's program so you can see these pictures. I wish I could describe them. I've never seen anything like this. The amount of ash that was spewed into the atmosphere would dwarf the amount of pollution the United States automobile industry has created since the invention of the automobile. And I say this in the context of there is not a human being on this planet who could be teleported somewhere else in the universe, earth wiped out, and this smart human being, "Okay, recreate it. Here's your chalkboard, here's your computer, here's the software, you go design just the climate. I'll handle everything else." God says, "You do the climate." Folks, there is not enough knowledge, there is not enough understanding; it could not be done. And of course this is obvious.

I'm not trying to be profound here. The reason I bring it up is there is no way on earth we could create this. There isn't a way we can change it. We can adapt. And see, this is the key. Every living thing adapts to its environment in order to survive. Take human beings, for example. We don't do well without clothes, right? Especially when it gets cold. Well, in certain circumstances yeah clothes come off, but I'm talking about normal, everyday running-around activities. You live in Minnesota in the wintertime, you need clothes. All right, where do you get them? You have to adapt, right? I mean, the clothing store just didn't spring up there, it's not part of God's creation, is it? Well, yes, it is, but, no, the fabrics,

the leathers, shoes, where did those things come from? Other living things. We had to kill them for our own survival. It's called adapting. A beaver. Talk to anybody that's had problems with the beavers in the backyard or wherever they had problems with them, they gum up the works because they build dams. They screw everything up. They're adapting. They're just trying to survive. Cockroaches, you hate 'em, they're underneath your sink. It's like the Clintons. Not even a nuclear war could get rid of them. They survive by adapting.

Every living thing adapts. Okay, so when the colonists first arrived and we got things going, there were 13 colonies. There was a whole country out there that the Indians were in charge of, supposedly at one with nature, wiping out the buffalo, smoking the peace pipe, at war with each other's nations. Who knows whatever else they were doing out there. But they, too, at one with nature? What do you think the tepee was made out of? I mean, they had to do something, they had to cut trees for fires, stay warm in the winter. Everybody adapts. Now, we, as human beings blessed with a superior intelligence, have the understanding and the knowledge to be stewards over this because we need to continue to have these items that we alter for our survival as our population grows. For example, trees. The most beautiful thing you can do with a tree is after you chop the thing down, you build a house out of it; you build a baseball bat; you build a gorgeous Steinway piano. Broomstick. Any number of things. But guess what? As the population grows and prosperity increases, we're going to need more broomsticks. Gonna need more houses. You're going to need more of everything, so you replant the trees.

For every tree you cut down, plant ten for one. We're not destroying anything, but we're adapting. It happens throughout life. Everything in life adapts. If it doesn't adapt, it won't survive. The beaver doesn't care what it destroys because it doesn't have the ability to know. No other

living organism has the slightest idea. The cuckoo bird. Cuckoo bird is so damn lazy it won't build its own nest. It lays its eggs in the nests of others and then flies off and to hell with the babies. Going out making more eggs. You know how they do that. The point is we all have to adapt. The people in Chile, they didn't cause the volcano. They're going to have to adapt. They're going to have to move. They're going to have to do something, because they can't stop the volcano. So, to tie this all together, this ash, that stuff that was belched out of the volcano in Chile has more pollution -- you wait and see what the cooling effect of this cloud of ash is gonna cause wherever it ends up on this planet, wherever it hovers, Mt. Pinatubo did the same thing. Mt. Pinatubo, in the Philippines, when that thing blew up, the earth's temperature was cooled for a long time, a long number of years. Of course the environmentalist wackos say, "Well, yes, well, that was simply Mother Nature responding to the destructive efforts of man." BS.

The Mt. Pinatubo volcano, nor this thing in Chile, has any idea what man is or a where man is or what man's doing. It doesn't have a mind of its own. So we can't create any of this. We couldn't if we are given all the ingredients. We couldn't do it. We couldn't put it together. If God said, "Here is everything I did to make your climate, now you put it together so it works." No clue. We couldn't do it. We'll never be able to do it, and yet we have the vanity and the audacity of hope, to think that we can change it, roll it back, and stop it. In 1984, I'm in Sacramento watching TV, This Week with David Brinkley -- I've told you this before, couple global warming scientists on there, and they're just sounding the death knell for the planet: "We only got 20 years," they said. "We can't prove our contention that manmade global warming is happening, but we think it is, but we can't afford to wait. Twenty years is all we got. If we don't take action now, it's going to be too late." It's 24 years later, right? And they're still saying the same thing, and we just had the twenty-ninth coldest April in 114 years. The planet has not warmed in the last seven

years. They just told us that there's going to be a natural cooling cycle because ocean currents in the Atlantic and Pacific is going to delay global warming for 10 or 12 years, meaning it's going to get cooler, and now this volcano has blown up down there in Chile, you ought to see the pictures. We're gonna post 'em.

Let me give you the caption to one of these pictures. You know, one of the things I like living in Florida, particularly in the summertime, you go out at night, it's hot, it's humid, and you go out there on your deck, and it's dark, crystal clear where we live, but way out over the ocean, high altitude is the most beautiful electrical thunderstorm, and sometimes far enough away you can't hear the thunder but you can see the clouds light up and you just sit there in wonder and amazement, and you sip your adult beverage while sweating yourself silly and a little breeze coming off the ocean, and it's just gorgeous. And you remember what your father told you about thunderstorms, that there's more power in one thunderstorm, one lightning bolt, if we could harness it, we could provide electricity for New York for a year. Big lightning, big thunderstorm. We don't know how to harness it because we don't know how to create it. And when these thunderstorms are coming and lightning, it's raining, we can't stop it. Maybe put some lightning arrestors on, but that's it. I have never seen an electrical thunderstorm out over the ocean like I see in these pictures.

This astonishing picture shows the volcano in Chile erupting during storms in the middle of the night. The electrical storms that they were having, the volcano went up, the volcano caused even more electricity, more lightning as clouds of toxic ash and dust tower into the sky, they ionize the air, generating an explosive electrical storm, colossal forks of lightning spark around the noxious plume as it spews from a volcano's crater, creating an image of raw terrifying energy as if the air itself were ablaze. The UK Daily Mail from May the 7th. We'll get this posted. There's

two of these pictures that illustrate this effect and then there are just a bunch of them that show the amount of ash and how thick the cloud is. By the way, one other observation. For those of you buying into this silly compact fluorescent lightbulb scheme, when you look at these pictures from the UK Daily Mail, I want you to try to convince yourself that the type of lightbulb you use matters a hill of beans to anything, when you look at the raw power. And then after you do that, after you ask yourself, after you tell yourself how worthless, how irrelevant, I should say, the kind of lightbulb you use is, I then want to ask you, "Are you one of these people that's bought into this silly notion to unplug your toaster and all of your electronic appliances when you're not using them?"

You might want to do that to save electricity, that's fine. But if you're doing it to save the planet, I want you to take a look these pictures and ask yourself if unplugging your Sunbeam toaster, your Mr. Coffee, your cell phone charger, will matter a hill of beans to the climate of this planet. If you answer yes, you have a serious vanity problem, or worse: Your life is meaningless and you'll be talked into any scheme or hoax to believe in in order to make you think your life has a purpose, such as saving the planet. You're simply helping a bunch of socialists tear down the greatest capitalist system on the face of the planet if you go along with this rotgut garbage.

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RUSH: Here's another little story for you. This is from the American Thinker, Bill Tate: "Has Big Media Global Warming Bias Begun to Endanger the Public?" Damn good question. "When Maine officials tried to warn residents of the dangers of this winter's near-record snowpack, Big Media slanted the story, hampering efforts to warn folks of the danger. 'This winters [sic] near-record snowfall has created a flood potential that is above normal,' began a news advisory released by the Maine River Flow Advisor Commission on

March 6th. 'Statewide water content readings from this week's snow survey are some of the highest since 1969, the "snow season" of record, and in some locations higher than the record.' In case there was any doubt, the banner headline on the release reads: 'Spring Flood Potential Elevated Due to Near-Record Snowfall.' However, the lead in the Associated Press story in the next day's edition of the major regional daily, the Boston Globe, downplayed the threat posed by the snowpack, referring to it as just 'above-average,' and shifting the emphasis to concern about an approaching storm. 'The National Weather Service says weekend rain could cause some flooding of streets and small streams.' The story does eventually reference 'near-record snowfall', in the 13th paragraph of a 17-paragraph story, with a spin that turned the Maine officials' warning on its head."

Now, "The Globe is owned by the New York Times Company. Both the Times and the Associated Press are heavily invested in the myth of Global Warming, or -- as I like to call it -- Global Warning. Record snowpack means higher than normal amounts of snow, colder than usual temperatures, or both. None of which readily fits into the MSM's chosen story line that mankind is giving Mother Nature a fever. Big Media's Global Warning bias has largely remained in the realm of theory; now it has begun to endanger people's lives and property in real time. The AP and the Globe had the choice of reporting a truly inconvenient truth -- for them -- or of perpetuating Global Warning, of facilitating officials' efforts to protect the public or advancing their ideological agenda. Why are we not surprised by the decision they made?" It's a valid question. How many times have you seen all these outrageously extreme kook predictions of all kinds of destruction reported seriously by the Drive-By Media?

**These photos are amazing:**

[http://www.dailymail.co.uk/pages/live/articles/news/worldnews.html?in\\_article\\_id=563975&in\\_page\\_id=1811](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/pages/live/articles/news/worldnews.html?in_article_id=563975&in_page_id=1811)

**The coldest April in 11 years; one of the coldest April's ever:**

<http://www.wctv.tv/home/headlines/18801014.html>

**Global warming bias is now harming the public:**

[http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2008/05/has\\_big\\_media\\_global\\_warming\\_b.html](http://www.americanthinker.com/blog/2008/05/has_big_media_global_warming_b.html)

**Climate Confusion:**

<http://www.weatherquestions.com/Roy-Spencer-on-global-warming.htm>

## **Rush on the Global Warming Hoax**

RUSH: We've been discussing global warming a little bit this afternoon. Let me continue with a couple of stories that I have here. This is from LiveScience.com, and it also is from a couple of days ago. "Antarctica hasn't warmed as much over the last century as climate models had originally predicted, a new study finds. Climate change's effects on Antarctica are of particular interest because of the substantial amount of water locked up in its ice sheets. Should that water begin to melt, sea levels around the globe could rise and inundate low-lying coastal areas." This still makes no sense to me because of the whole ice in a glass theory. But we'll leave that aside. "The new study, detailed in the April 5 issue of the journal Geophysical Research Letters, marks the first time that researchers have been able to give a progress report on Antarctic climate model projections by comparing climate records to model simulations. ... Information about Antarctica's harsh weather patterns has

traditionally been limited, but temperature records from ice cores and ground weather stations have recently been constructed, giving scientists the missing information they needed." They were missing information; they're still forecasting all of this rotgut melting. "This is a really important exercise for these climate models," said study leader Andrew Monaghan of the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder.

"Monaghan and his team found that while climate models projected temperature increases of 1.4 degrees Fahrenheit (0.75 degrees Celsius) over the past century, temperatures were observed to have risen by only 0.4 F (0.2 C)," a degree off. "This is showing us that, over the past century, most of Antarctica has not undergone the fairly dramatic warming that has affected the rest of the globe," Monaghan said. It hasn't affected the rest of the globe, either. "The gap between prediction and reality seemed to be caused by the models overestimating the amount of water vapor in the Antarctic atmosphere. The cold air over the southernmost continent handles moisture differently than the atmosphere over warmer regions. ... One reason that Antarctica hasn't warmed as much as other parts of the globe is the existence of the ozone hole overhead: It alters wind patterns, creating a swirling belt of winds--" the bottom line is, they don't know what they're talking about. Their models predict this, this isn't happening, and now they've gotta come out with face-saving excuses.

Here's another one. USA Today, also from two days ago. "You really have been meaning to swap out your lightbulbs for those energy-efficient ones. And you really and truly did not mean to leave your computer on all vacation. You did, in fact, hear all those Earth Day messages. And yes, you know you're not doing enough. You know it and you feel guilty. Hey -- join the crowd. In fact, more people (primarily women) are feeling guiltier this year than they were last about their

not-so-carbon-neutral habits. So says the second annual Green Guilt Survey commissioned by the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation, a non-profit that wants you to recycle batteries." Well! Well! We certainly have no bias here, do we? A battery company that wants you to recycle batteries, meaning throw 'em away so they can be remade; buy new ones! "In 2007, some 20% of Americans surveyed said they were feeling green guilt. This year, that number jumped slightly to 22%. Men actually felt less guilty this year (18% last year vs. 17% this year), and women were carrying the burden of guilt more (22% vs. 26%)." This proves again that men are smarter than women. Did I just say that? I did. Let me take it back. It proves that men are less emotional than women.

"But guilt aside, more Americans said they're stepping up their actions to make their lives a bit greener, the survey shows. ... The primary motivation for people to be a little greener? The children. Some 17% say they'd do more if they had a child, the survey says." I'll guaran-damn-tee you if I had a child it wouldn't make one damn bit of difference what I think about this hoax, and I'd be inculcating my kid not to believe any of this stuff in a whole host of ways. I wonder why more Americans are feeling green guilt. What could be the source for this guilt, folks? Who could be responsible for this? People would not be walking around feeling guilty were somebody not telling them to. Gotta be a combination of Al Gore and the Drive-By Media working in concert here.

Global warming could help Greenland to independence, a new national anthem may soon be needed. Greenland has taken "its first tentative steps towards becoming an independent state. Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen went to Greenland -- which has been part of Denmark since 1721-- to present a report that sets out the road to full sovereignty. The plan, which has been drawn up by a committee of politicians from Denmark and

Greenland, envisages the phasing out of subsidies from Copenhagen as the huge island makes increasing use of its rich mineral and oil resources under a thick layer of ice." Whoa, whoa, what? There's what there? Rich mineral and oil resources under the ice? How did that happen? Why, how did that happen? Why, it used to be warm there. So global warming here is going to lead to freedom, sovereignty. Greenland breaks away from Denmark. Wow. Global warming, giver of freedom, ladies and gentlemen.  
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RUSH: I am sure, ladies and gentlemen, you have seen the results, maybe you haven't, of the massive conservative electoral victory in the UK. A new mayor. Ken "The Red" Livingstone is gone. This new mayor is a performer, he was a columnist, he was a television guy, new mayor. The conservatives got rid of the Tories -- got rid of the Labor Party in a majority.

This is looking bad for Gordon Brown. Do you know what the reasons are? Do you know what the reasons are? Among the reasons are these. They have tax increase after tax increase after tax increase in the UK to stop global warming. And guess what? They've been at this a lot longer than we have, and their tax increases and their incursions on freedom have been going on for a lot longer here, and there haven't been any results. After paying all these taxes, after giving up all this freedom, after driving around in a bunch of junk automobiles, the tax increases kept coming, and still the claims of global warming not being stopped kept coming. And the people said, "Well, this is never going to end. And all of our efforts aren't working." Now, this dirty little thing called illegal immigration, they finally got fed up with that, too.

Pertinent Links:

American Green Guilt:



[http://www.usatoday.com/tech/science/environment/2008-05-07-green-guilt\\_N.htm](http://www.usatoday.com/tech/science/environment/2008-05-07-green-guilt_N.htm)

Cold water thrown on Global Warming Hoax:

<http://www.livescience.com/environment/080507-models-overheat.html>

Global warming is a boon to Greenland:

<http://www.news.com.au/heraldsun/story/0,21985,23662810-5012749,00.html>

Britain citizen revolt against taxes to save the planet:

<http://www.independent.co.uk/environment/climate-change/green-tax-revolt-britons-will-not-foot-bill-to-save-planet-819703.html>

**And finally, Rush's stack of stuff for May 9, 2008:**

Story #1: [Communist Burmese Junta's Evil Surprises UN](#)

RUSH: This is classic. The United Nations says it is going to suspend all further aid shipments for the survivors of the hurricane in Burma because the junta seized all the goods. The commie junta seized all the goods and the UN is out there saying, "Uh, we don't know why they would do this. We can't figure out why they would do this." Thirty-eight tons of high-energy biscuits among the food drive. Do you know how much we spend on the World Food Programme, which is part of the United Nations? We're the leading contributor to the World Food Programme -- \$352 million a year.

Although, there is some uplifting news, ladies and gentlemen. The communist thug dictatorship of Burma has changed its mind about one thing: They have decided to accept limited US aid. They're going to allow one airplane to deliver cyclone relief supplies, defense officials have told

ABC News. One plane. One plane! Which means they've gone through all the other supplies that they stole and they need more for the government. I mean, they took the stuff and they didn't even distribute it to the victims of the cyclone. A bunch of suckers.

Story #2: [Global What? The 29th Coolest April in 114 Years](#)

RUSH: I am holding here in my formerly nicotine-stained fingers, ladies and gentlemen, the United States Climate Summary for April of this year. For those of you in Rio Linda, that was just last month. The average temperature in April, United States, 2008, was 51 degrees. That 51 degrees was one degree Fahrenheit cooler than the average temperature in the twentieth century, 1901 to 2000. It was the 29th coolest April in 114 years, ladies and gentlemen. The temperature trend for the period of record, 1895 to present is 0.1 degrees Fahrenheit per decade, which means the average temperature increase or decrease of 0.1 degree Fahrenheit per decade was blown in one month. April of 2008, the 29th coolest April in 114 years.

Story #3: [Stocks Up! Retail Sales Up! Jobless Claims Down!](#)

RUSH: Try this economic story. The headline alone: "Stocks Rebound, Retail Sales Higher, Jobless Claims Drop." Do you think the Drive-By meant to put all this in one place, in one headline? "Stocks are mounting a tentative recovery after yesterday's 206-point drop in the Dow... The labor department says the number of workers filing first time claims for unemployment benefits fell sharply last week. New claims totaled 365,000, which is a drop of 18,000. Some retailers saw a bit of sales relief last month." All this good economic news (other than the oil price) in one place, one headline.

Story #4: [North Korea, USA Teach Kids to Hate America](#)

RUSH: I saw a story today, CNN was running a special investigative unit, "North Korean kids taught to hate the USA." I said, "So? What's unique about that? That's happening right here in the United States." You want a good example? How many kids have been forced to watch Gore's movie? What's the result of that movie? People, kids, students get mad at this country. We are destroying the planet and the polar bears and the penguins and everything else that's out there. The idea that the hatred for the USA is not taught in this country is absurd.