## **Obama's "I Have a Scheme" Plan**

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The first part of President Obama's "<u>I Have a Scheme</u>" plan is the passage of the "Cap and Trade (Tax)" fossil fuel rationing bill. It will be the largest tax increase in the world's history. It is scheduled for vote in the House of Representatives, this Friday, June 26. It is another huge bill (over 1200 pages) that no one has read except the global warming crooks at the UN, who wrote it. Please pass this information on to your legislators and local media outlets. This bill must be defeated!

If it passes, Obama hopes to have enough money to pay for his Universal Health Care Rationing scheme. He hopes the taxes from Cap and Trade will drive gasoline to \$8 per gallon or higher. Then the public will buy his "putt-putt" cars from his newly extorted auto companies, Government Motors and Chrysler/Fiat. His scheme involves setting up a "straw man" (straw molecule?), carbon dioxide (CO2), that is used to frighten the public. He tells us this mean molecule CO2 is causing a climate disaster by warming the Earth, melting our polar ice caps, raising our sea level, and inundating our coastal cities. (Can we restrict it to Washington, DC?) There is no credible scientific evidence to support any of this nonsense. Anthropogenic Global Warming and its new name, Climate Change are politicized science. This politicized science scheme is a variation of Politics 101, which uses fairy tales to frighten the public, and then the government promises to save them by some scheme that involves raising their taxes. It's a big con job by the government.

All of the rhetoric about a shortage of oil is baloney. America has 25% of the world's coal. We are the Saudi Arabia of coal. We can make oil and gas from coal using the Fischer-Tropsch technology used by the Germans in WW II. SASOL in South Africa has produced petroleum from coal for decades! They have no indigenous petroleum supplies.

The German synthetic oil and gasoline were so good that as U.S. General Patton's Third Army began outracing their supply lines they transferred the synthetic gasoline from German vehicles and raced ahead. A recent Royal Dutch Shell report indicated that when oil prices hit \$64 per barrel, it is economical to produce oil from coal. The term "we are running out of oil" is obsolete. We can make sulfur-free petroleum in any quantity and any grade we want! In addition by using fast breeder reactors, the world has enough nuclear fuel to last for tens of thousands of years! Obama needs to abandon these punitive tax schemes on fossil fuels that will kill our prosperity and start developing coal to oil and nuclear energy programs.

Atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO2) is a harmless gas. It is not a pollutant. CO2 and O2 are gases of life. God in His wisdom set up a synergism between the living gases of animals and plants. Animals inhale oxygen and exhale carbon dioxide. Plants inhale CO2 and exhale O2 by the process of photosynthesis. Why is Obama ignorant of these basic facts? When CO2 levels drops below 200 parts per million (ppm), plants start to die and then man dies. During the 20<sup>th</sup> century, a warmer ocean increased atmospheric levels of CO2 which increased crop yields worldwide. CO2 has not caused measurable increase in global temperatures.

The U.S. House of Representatives Committee of Energy and Commerce, chaired by Henry Waxman recently passed the "Cap and Trade" bill. Duplicating Europe's failed scheme would be a knockout blow for the U.S. economy because it would dramatically increase energy costs and cripple the nation's dwindling manufacturing base. It would be a giant economic dagger aimed at the nation's heartland, where 20 states get 60-98% of their electricity from coal.

This bill compels an 80% CO2 reduction, by imposing punitive capand-trade restrictions on virtually every business, motorist, and family using hydrocarbon fuels. Anything and anyone who uses electricity and/or fossil fuels will be taxed. The National Economic Council puts the tax bite at \$1.3 to \$3 trillion, which averages out to \$4000 to \$10,000 per person. Since businesses pass their increased tax cost on to the consumer, everything will cost more. Every item we buy will increase in price, including clothing, food, drink, housing, cars, gasoline, travel, fuels, wood, and raw materials. America will be the most toxic-tax place in the world to do business. Of course many businesses will flee America, taking their jobs with them.

An 80% reduction in CO2 could take us back to 1905 according to Oak Ridge National laboratory data. At that time coal and wood heated homes. New York City's vehicle emissions were 900,000 tons of horse manure annually. America had a population of 84 million versus 300 million today. There were no cars, jet liners, or electricity for offices, factories, schools or hospitals.

The bill was so lengthy, that chairman Henry Waxman, had not read it all. A TV clip showed a colleague asking him a question about the bill and Waxman answered, he didn't know, but the scientists [bureaucrats] at the IPCC knew all of the details. This let the cat out of the bag that the UN had written the bill! IPCC is the "International Panel on Climate Control" and is the "political junk science division" of the corrupt UN. This bill is governmental gangsterism. "The right response to the non-problem of global warming is to have the courage to do nothing," said Lord Christopher Monckton, former science advisor to U.K. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

GOVERNMENTAL INSANITY: In addition to rationing fuels, in hopes of reducing atmospheric CO2, our government plans to pump CO2 underground (sequestering). In fact they recently started pumping at an Ethanol plant in Greensville, Ohio. It is extremely expensive to compress CO2 into a liquid and drill deep holes. It is insane! It is analogous to the pagan medical practice of bleeding the patient. It is completely worthless. The Department of Energy estimates it will cost \$100 per ton to sequester CO2 and they are considering sequestering 1.5 billion tons per year. Knowing the government estimates on the costs of new programs are always too low by factors of 5 to 10, the total tax for this new program is likely to be over \$ 1 Trillion! It takes a lot of energy to sequester CO2. So additional coal must be burned to provide the energy to sequester CO2. The bad news is for every ton of coal burned, 3 tons of CO2 is prodeuced and that drives the cost up even higher!

MORE GOVERNMENT INSANITY: The mentally challenged EPA want to put a tax on flatulence of cows, sheep and pigs! The EPA claims animal flatulence contains methane, which is causing global warming which will destroy our planet! The EPA is considering that the tax on dairy cows may be \$175 per dairy cow, \$88 on beef cattle, and \$20 on each hog! Unbelievable! Can they also tax Al Gore's gas?

CO2 is a very minor greenhouse gas responsible for only a miniscule increase of the earth's temperature (0.03°C) in the last 150 years. During this time, the CO2 from the burning of fossil fuels added only three percent to the natural CO2 in our atmosphere. The Earth has warmed from the early 1800s (the end of "The Little Ice Age") until 2000; due to a very active Sun. We've had global cooling since 2000, due to a reduction in solar output. During the last two years, we've had record-breaking cold temperatures and snowfalls, and glaciers have started advancing. Earlier this month (June, 2009) it snowed in New Jersey and North Dakota. The lateness of spring, with six foot snow drifts have obliterated the breeding season for geese and other migratory birds over much of the Hudson Bay area. It is even worse than the spring of 1962. The past two winters have been so cold that hundreds to thousands of people froze to death in India, China and Afghanistan. Tourist filled a Russian icebreaker expecting to see evidence of global warming were shocked to experience global cooling when they became stuck for 7 days in the Arctic ice. During the twentieth century when our Sun was more active, the increase in ocean temperatures bubbled more CO2 into our atmosphere, which increased crop production and tree growth. We need more CO2 not less, especially if global cooling continues and wipes out useable croplands in Canada, northern U.S. and Europe. CO2 is aerial fertilizer for plants and trees.