

Climate Action News **this week**

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A Week in Review...

Federal Greenhouse Gas Regulations Not Enough to "Turn the Corner"

The Pembina Institute released an in-depth analysis of Environment Minister Baird's recent "Turning the Corner" announcement. The analysis reveals that the proposed regulations have little chance of meeting the government's target of stopping the growth in Canada's greenhouse gas pollution by 2010-12.

Read more: <http://www.pembina.org/pub/1464>

G8 energy efficiency target testing Canada's climate resolve

The climate change litmus test at this year's G8 meeting is whether Prime Minister Harper agrees to the ambitious energy efficiency target proposed by host German Chancellor Merckell.

Read the WWF-Canada press release and report:

<http://wwf.ca/NewsAndFacts/NewsRoom/default.asp?section=archive&page=display&ID=1542&lang=EN>

Government could be going to jail for not trying to meet Kyoto!!

Friends of the Earth Canada has launched a landmark lawsuit against the Government of Canada for abandoning its international commitments under the Kyoto Protocol. Filed in Federal Court in Ottawa by Sierra Legal, the lawsuit alleges that the federal government is violating Canadian law by failing to meet its binding international commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Read more:

<http://www.foecanada.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=321&Itemid=2>

George W. Bush releases "climate strategy". Greenpeace says it's a dangerous sham

May 31st, Washington, DC, United States — Greenpeace said that US President Bush's new climate strategy was not even too little, too late, but a dangerous sham.

"Bush is clearly running scared on the issue of climate change and of the huge public demand in the US and globally for urgent action," said John Coequyt of Greenpeace USA.

Read more: <http://www.greenpeace.org/international/press/releases/bush-s-climate-strategy-a-da>

Action Alert

We love nukes! (not really...)

Sign the petition to rename a nuclear plant after Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty!

Find out more (and sign the petition!) at www.ilovenukes.ca

There should be a Dalton McGuinty Memorial Nuclear Station. Why? Because no one else has done as much to promote nuclear power in Canada, and we want everyone to know.

G8+5: Feel the Heat, Act Now!

From 6-8 June, the leaders of the biggest polluting countries in the world are meeting in Germany at the G8+5 summit. Between them, their countries produce over 70% of global warming emissions. But while climate change is the top issue on their agenda, the Bush administration is trying to prevent any serious commitment to action.

Your voice is needed now to tell world leaders to stand strong on climate change. Sign a petition to send a message that the world is calling for action to avert a climate catastrophe.

Sign the petition: http://www.avaaz.org/en/climate_g8/f.php/?cl=10095027

Inside Ottawa...

Bill C-30 voted back to the house

The House of Commons passed a motion Tuesday May 29th by a 155-121 margin calling on the government to bring Bill C-30, the revised Clean Air and Climate Act, before the House. Minister Baird has previously said the government would ignore the non-binding motion.

Heads UP!

Wheels for Change: A bike tour across BC this summer to show commitment to stronger action on climate change.

Read More: <http://www.wheelsforchange.ca/>

Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Conserving Forests: Approaches to Stimulate Action

June 13 & 14, 2007

University of Toronto – Faculty of Forestry

The David Suzuki Foundation, Conservation International, Canadian Boreal Initiative, Institute of Environment at the University of Ottawa, and the University of Toronto will be hosting a two-day workshop, June 13 & 14, for climate and wilderness NGOs and First Nations on the science and policy of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in the Canadian boreal and tropics.

More info: Autumn O'Brien, aobrien@davidsuzuki.org, 604-732-4228 x 271

Job Opportunity: Executive Director.

Climate Action Network Canada (CAN-RAC) is seeking a visionary professional for the position of Executive Director to provide leadership for the network and organization. Closing date: June 11th 2007

Read the full job description at: <http://www.climateactionnetwork.ca/e/job-posting-ed-2007.html>

Parliamentary Schedule

House of Commons: May 1-18th, 28th-31st. June 1-8th (optional sitting 11th-22nd), summer recess until September 17th.

Senate: May 1-18th, 28th-31st. June 1st-29th, summer recess until September 17th.

Is your organization releasing a report? Do you want to publicize an upcoming event? Announce it through the Climate Action News! Send your details to Andrew at adumbrille@climateactionnetwork.ca