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Hello, Sue. The book title is: Power Hungry. Author: Robert Bryce. This book puts things such as energy density and power density into perspective. Simple arithmetic is used to illustrate energy concepts, in laymen's terms, that can easily be understood by the average person.

Robert Bryce has also written articles for the Manhattan Institute.

I hope this helps. There are also previous minutes from the full NEITF, and subcommittee meetings where I have made comments, which have not been included. Unfortunately, members of the public are not permitted to vote, on approval of meeting minutes. To be specific, I have commented on numerous occasions, about the fact that there are important elections fast approaching. If they turn out as I hope, there may not be the appetite for federal dollars to be spent on inefficient, anti-environmental, and anti-economic "green/clean energy subsidies" for solar, wind, and other PC projects. The NSOE, and NEITF, must be honest with Gov. Sandoval. A Business Case cannot simply be created, or forced. Just because some stakeholders don't like what is contained in the Synapse Report, does not mean the results can be rejected, or picked through. After all, the RFP was authored and issued with the assistance of the WGG (Western Grid Group), on whose board John Candelaria (Member of the Technical Advisory Committee, NEITF) sits

<http://www.westerngrid.net/about/team/bio/>

I like John personally, and we have had some good conversations about the reasons why so-called smart meters/smart grid policies have been instituted. As a scientist (chemist), however, I cannot reasonably accept the rationale for these policies, adopted by our nation (or the world): greenhouse gases. Greenhouse gases are the reason why planet Earth can support life. Imagine if there was no such thing as Greenhouse Effect:

<http://www.droyspencer.com/2009/12/what-if-there-was-no-greenhouse-effect/>

Greenhouse gases and carbon taxes, are not legitimate bases upon which to dictate energy policy, or economic policy (national or international). The sun, as well as ocean temperatures and current, have far more influence on Earth's climate, than do minor variations in carbon dioxide concentration in our atmosphere.

Thank you for asking, Sue, and I am truly not trying to be a pain in the butt. I am a realist. And I am broke, as the United States of America will be, if we continue to follow the "green energy" course. There are no green jobs to speak of. Just ask Spain what happened to their economy, when they committed to a "green energy" policy. It is more than disappointing to me that so many people buy into the "greenhouse gas" hoax. Worse, "stakeholders" (otherwise known as cronies), who are members of the NEITF, stand to benefit, on the backs of taxpayers and ratepayers. This is wrong. Legitimate industries, with a legitimate market for their products and services, should be able to rely on independent investors. Not the taxpayers, or captive customers who have no choice from whom they must purchase their electricity. Also, despite legislation to the contrary, ratepayers should not be required to subsidize their neighbors who

choose to install solar panels, wind turbines, etc. I see these charges on my electric bill every month.

I am most sincere in my objections to the Governor's economic plan, which favors specific industries (which happen to be represented in the list of stakeholders). This goes against the Nevada State Constitution, although Cortez-Masto has invented her own interpretation of our NV Constitution. Government is not supposed to favor certain businesses and industries over others, especially by the use of taxpayer and ratepayer dollars.

I truly hope you (and obviously the NEITF members) will take the time to read the book. There is not enough land to accommodate the needs of renewable energy projects, transmission lines, and the concessions which environmental groups have agreed to: forcing large-scale solar and wind projects to purchase areas of land for supposed purposes of wildlife refuges. Animals do not survive, and desert plants are "gently mowed" in order to fit underneath solar panels. It takes hundreds of years for vegetation to re-grow. First, the birds leave (only to be knocked out of the skies by wind projects). There may be reptiles which remain, but what are they going to eat? As for insects, many are responsible for pollination. What was once touted our "fragile desert ecosystem," is now scraped clear of vegetation to accommodate RE projects and transmission lines. In my opinion, environmental groups are hypocritical in this respect, and disingenuous.

What happens when these projects fail, due to running out of other people's money? We end up with a bare landscape: with blowing dust, threatened wildlife, and human illness due to the degraded air quality and particulate matter.

I attended a PUCN meeting last week, with American Indian tribes complaining about the Reid-Gardiner coal-fired power plant. It seems they have not considered that poor general health, and illness, could be due to dust. I know that my asthma and allergies are aggravated right here in the Las Vegas Valley, from wind-blown dust.

I would appreciate it if my comments in this e-mail could be included formally, for the NEITF meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, 17-Oct-2012.

Respectfully,

Wendy Ellis

P.S. I appreciate your efforts to keep us informed about upcoming meetings. Those of us who expend so much effort to participate in this process, do so with sincerity and integrity. We strive to do proper research, without payment of any kind. We are not associated with industries, which stand to gain from a "business case" created for Gov. Sandoval, to sell RE to the State of CA! I would never invest in such an endeavor, without a guaranteed return. This could only happen by way of cronyism. I would never participate in such a thing.