

# Citizens Climate Lobby fighting climate change

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Letters to the editor

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Mr. Thomas Mihran's June 15 online letter denying anthropogenic global warming expressed anger about academic arrogance. Academics don't judge articles based on writers' education. Education levels aren't indicators of whether a person can offer valuable ideas. However, non-academics (like academics) must show discernment about information they cite and must double-check sources. Mr. Mihran cited old information long disproven.

How can non-academics add constructive ideas to society's global warming discussion? Join a group with more than 300 chapters nationwide that will soon have a chapter in every congressional district. Meet locals who knew nothing about global warming a year ago, but are learning together via monthly meetings, weekly phone-in discussions, lectures, book clubs, videos and recommended readings.

Citizens' Climate Lobby [CCL] has 6,000 members. Within a year, we'll have 15,000 members and 40,000 in two years. We lobby Congress for a carbon tax to be paid by fossil fuel companies and rebated to households. Regional Economic Models Inc. analyzed our carbon tax proposal, finding it will reduce emissions, energize the economy, and create 2 million jobs within 10 years.

Let Rep. Bill Owens know we want him to support carbon tax and rebate legislation. Tell him 40,000 CCLers will have his back.

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