

Commentary on denying climate change was sad

Steve Gorman's May 31 climate change denying commentary was sad because he doesn't understand scientific research and has no one reliable he can trust to explain it to him. I can help him understand he is wrong about climate change with one piece of evidence.

This week officers of six major oil and gas companies published a joint letter in the Financial Times urging world nations to enact carbon taxes in order to cut fossil fuel emissions because it's the best way to fight human-caused climate change. These oil companies acknowledge climate change is a serious global problem and charging a carbon tax is our best solution. Exxon didn't sign the letter, but their website contains the same assertions.

These oil and gas companies admit human-caused climate change, although the admission isn't in their best interests. They wouldn't admit it if it weren't real and really serious. They believe the data, the models and the projections.

With support from oil companies, climate legislation will certainly happen. It will happen faster if newspaper editors call on the oil companies to meet directly with Congress.

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