

# August 12: Letters To the Editor

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## Denying climate change

The Herald has been wrong to argue that global warming somehow stopped 15 years ago. (“EPA head mocks science,” Aug. 4). Climate change deniers substantiate this falsehood by selecting a few data points, and ignoring temperature measurements that disprove this lie. A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration report issued last week shows vast areas of the planet transformed by climate change.

The Herald says that hydro, nuclear, wind, solar, geothermal and tidal energy sources cannot provide our modern economy’s energy needs for a long time. However, the technology already exists to furnish all our energy from alternative sources by 2030. We only lack the will to make it happen.

To create this will we need a carbon tax to level the playing field. Right now, fossil fuels are unfairly allowed to pollute for free, while society bears the cost of fixing the health and climate damage they cause.

— Judy Weiss, Brookline

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