

Iowa's spacious skies filled with promise of clean energy

Rabbi Judy Weiss, Brookline, Mass., Letter to the Editor 11:13 p.m. CDT May 12, 2015

I loved your editorial on Iowa's impressive development of clean energy, and the need to overcome a few obstacles in future growth and transmission of electricity [["Iowa must overcome obstacles on wind energy,"](#) May 6].

Last fall I took a train from Chicago to California. As we crossed Iowa at dusk, I saw the most patriotic scene I've witnessed in years: Your "spacious skies" were filled with "beautiful white majesties," spinning in the dusk, towering "above fruited plains," producing clean electricity. It was an exquisite sight.

Your editorial wisely acknowledged that questions and issues still must be addressed, but you call on state and national leaders to help resolve these problems.

When your congressional delegation sponsors national carbon pricing legislation (with rebates to the public), then all energy-related decisions will become clearer, for public policy-makers, for business decisions, investor choices and consumer options. But carbon pricing legislation is not for cowardly legislators, it requires people of courage who value the "patriot dream that sees beyond the years." I hope your representatives have that courage.

May "God shed his grace on thee" and them.
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