

National carbon tax would help lower emissions

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Editor:

Jimmy Carter said "we need something like a carbon tax, which is a reasonable approach."

Holman Jenkins, Jr., a lead editor at the Wall Street Journal, wrote "A straight-up, revenue-neutral carbon tax clearly is our first-best policy, rewarding an infinite and unpredictable variety of innovations by which humans would satisfy their energy needs while releasing less carbon into the atmosphere."

Wow! Former President Carter and the Wall Street Journal agree: our best, most reasonable plan of action is to charge fossil fuel producers a tax on the harmful emissions their products cause, and to rebate the tax to society so our economy doesn't stall and the public isn't hurt by rising prices.

Please push Congressional candidates to discuss human-caused climate change and a revenue-neutral carbon tax. Voters should not send anyone to Washington who does not understand the urgent need to lower emissions and how economically helpful a carbon tax could be to the public.

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