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How much are you willing to pay to solve a problem that may not exist?

Congress is considering a new energy tax.

Right now, Congress is considering another new tax. A tax that would raise your cost of living. You'd be paying more for the gasoline in your car; the electricity and natural gas you need to light and heat your home; and virtually all of the goods and services you buy.

What's the reason for this tax? Some believe that the world's production and use of energy is tied to global warming. But let's look at the facts.

Is catastrophic global warming really taking place?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture—in the first update in 25 years of its "Plant Hardiness Report"—determined that on both coasts of this country, winter temperatures are 5 to 10 degrees cooler than previously reported.

The evidence can be seen in the increase in cold damage to Florida orange groves and California eucalyptus. And in a moving frost line that's led to a shorter growing season in some parts of the South.

In addition, average temperature records show Minneapolis has actually gotten colder over the past 50

years. There's also a cooling trend in Albany, New York—the city with the longest history in the U.S. (more than 160 years) of continuous daily temperature records.

Let's not pay for a problem that may not exist.

Which leads us back to Congress. Is a new energy tax really justified, given this much uncertainty? Before we impose more taxes—which may have devastating economic effects—let's first gain a better understanding of the Earth's delicate balance.

It will be your decision.

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