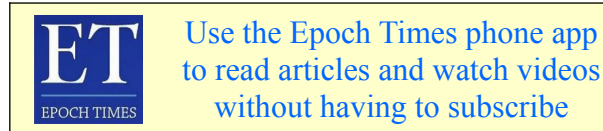




# MONTHLY UPDATES



## NET-ZERO EXPOSÉ (March 2024)



- ★ **“The Renewable Scam”**

*“My new video illustrates some problems with that, using scenes from a new documentary series called “Juice: Power, Politics, and the Grid”. Political scientist Roger Pielke Jr. noted: “It’s quite intuitive for people to understand that there’s a lot of power in solar energy. We feel the wind. The idea that you can get something for nothing, people find enormously appealing.” Especially in California, where politicians now require all new homes to have solar panels, all new cars sold in 2035 to be zero-emission, and all the state’s electricity to come from carbon-free resources by 2045. They’re getting results but not good ones: California’s cost of electricity increased three times faster than in the rest of America.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/the-renewable-scam-5601865](http://www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/the-renewable-scam-5601865)

**VIDEO SERIES:** [juicetheseries.com](http://juicetheseries.com)

- ★ **“Huge Carbon Credit Project in Australia Turns Out to Be a Sham”**

*“Australia’s carbon credit scheme was undermined by damning new research Wednesday, which found a world-leading reforestation project had been an underperforming “catastrophe”. Vast swathes of land across Australia’s desert Outback have been earmarked for native forest regeneration, which is meant to offset emissions as new trees suck up carbon. But researchers have found that across almost 80 percent of these plantations forest growth was either stagnant – or that woodlands were shrinking.”*

\* [www.sciencealert.com/shock-discovery-huge-carbon-credit-project-in-australia-turns-out-to-be-a-sham](http://www.sciencealert.com/shock-discovery-huge-carbon-credit-project-in-australia-turns-out-to-be-a-sham)

**REPORT:** [www.nature.com/articles/s43247-024-01313-x](http://www.nature.com/articles/s43247-024-01313-x)

- ★ **“Hail cripples massive solar farm, sparking concerns over vulnerable ‘green’ tech”**

*“An onslaught of hail in southeastern Texas that destroyed large portions of a massive solar farm is highlighting the perils of trading traditional power sources for vulnerable “green” alternatives and sparking concern about the potential for chemical leaks from the broken panels. Aerial footage captured the significant damage suffered by the Fighting Jays Solar farm in Fort Bend County, Texas. The March 15 storm shattered hundreds of panels and prompted a nearby resident to question if the solar panels were leaking chemicals such as cadmium telluride, which is linked to serious health risks in humans.”*

\* [www.skynews.com.au/business/hail-cripples-massive-solar-farm-in-texas-sparking-resident-concern-over-vulnerable-green-tech-chemical-leaks/news-story/2f3328bd02c6532959f66fc3ef2491d8](http://www.skynews.com.au/business/hail-cripples-massive-solar-farm-in-texas-sparking-resident-concern-over-vulnerable-green-tech-chemical-leaks/news-story/2f3328bd02c6532959f66fc3ef2491d8)

**REPORT:** [www.fox26houston.com/news/needville-community-concerned-busted-solar-panels-fighting-j](http://www.fox26houston.com/news/needville-community-concerned-busted-solar-panels-fighting-j)

**PHOTOS:** [www.sott.net/image/s35/703286/super/Fighting\\_Jays\\_damage.jpg](http://www.sott.net/image/s35/703286/super/Fighting_Jays_damage.jpg)

- ★ **“Australian Government Establishes Net Zero Authority”**

*“The Albanese Labor government has introduced a law to set up a Net Zero Authority in Australia to support the country’s transition to net zero. The Labor government is pumping \$189.3 million (US123.5 million) of taxpayer funds into the initiative to resource the authority. The Net Zero Economy Authority Bill 2024 (pdf) aims to promote an “orderly and positive economic*

transformation” as the “world decarbonises. Mr. Albanese said the Net Zero Economy Authority will play a role in one of the most significant economic events in Australia’s history and position the country as a renewable energy superpower.”

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/australian-government-establishes-net-zero-authority-5615983](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/australian-government-establishes-net-zero-authority-5615983)

**LEGISLATION:** [parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/download/legislation/bills/r7177\\_first-reps/toc\\_pdf/24043b01.PDF](http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/download/legislation/bills/r7177_first-reps/toc_pdf/24043b01.PDF)

- **“Australian Government Introduces Mandatory Climate Reporting”**

*“The Albanese government has introduced laws to mandate climate reporting for large companies from early 2025, intending to spur greater investment in clean energy and assist investors and companies to “manage climate risks.” The Treasury Laws Amendment (Financial Market Infrastructure and Other Measures) Bill (pdf) was introduced into the Australian House of Representatives on March 27. The bill includes new compulsory climate reporting requirements for major companies. Additionally, it establishes a framework to protect our financial market infrastructure during crises. The law starts with Australia’s largest companies but then extends to encompass medium and smaller companies over time.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/australian-government-introduces-mandatory-climate-reporting-5615829](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/australian-government-introduces-mandatory-climate-reporting-5615829)

**LEGISLATION:** [treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2024-01/c2024-466491-leg.pdf](http://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2024-01/c2024-466491-leg.pdf)

- **“Infrasound From Wind Turbines Could Be ‘A Huge Threat to the Entire Biodiversity’”**

*“When wind turbines rotate, however, they generate not only electricity but also infrasound. For Dr. Ursula Bellut-Staek, this development represents “a huge problem for all forms of organisms,” including humans. The medical doctor and scientific author has been studying the health effects of infrasound for several years. She has been looking into infrasound as a stressor on the cellular level since 2015 and published a paper in 2023 on how infrasound affects microcirculation and endothelial cells.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/health/infrasound-from-wind-turbines-could-be-a-huge-threat-to-the-entire-biodiversity-doctor-5597073](http://www.theepochtimes.com/health/infrasound-from-wind-turbines-could-be-a-huge-threat-to-the-entire-biodiversity-doctor-5597073)

**REPORT:** [www.scirp.org/journal/paperinformation?paperid=125553](http://www.scirp.org/journal/paperinformation?paperid=125553)

- **“Cattle Tracking Provision Inside Spending Bill Can Be Used by ‘Green Agenda’ to Limit Beef Supply”**

*“You know that weird feeling when the U.S. Senate passes a seemingly routine spending bill, President Joe Biden signs it into law, and a government shutdown is averted—but then later, you learn that included deep inside this seemingly innocuous bill is a provision to track beef cattle? Specifically, included in this massive spending bill is a \$15 million outlay for the purchase of electronic RFID ear tags for cows and bison. While it’s seemingly random, Rep. Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) doesn’t see it that way. Instead, after learning of this provision, he issued a warning about how these ear tags might eventually be used to electronically track livestock across the country in an effort to limit the consumption of beef.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/cattle-tracking-provision-inside-spending-bill-can-be-used-by-green-agenda-to-limit-beef-supply-congressman-facts-matter-5613110](http://www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/cattle-tracking-provision-inside-spending-bill-can-be-used-by-green-agenda-to-limit-beef-supply-congressman-facts-matter-5613110)

**LEGISLATION:** [www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/01/19/2023-00505/use-of-electronic-identification-ear-tags-as-official-identification-in-cattle-and-bison](http://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/01/19/2023-00505/use-of-electronic-identification-ear-tags-as-official-identification-in-cattle-and-bison)

**DOCUMENTARY:** [www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/whats-behind-the-push-to-stop-eating-beef-texas-slim-5399281](http://www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/whats-behind-the-push-to-stop-eating-beef-texas-slim-5399281)

- **“In Blow to ESG Agenda, Texas Pulls Nearly \$10 Billion Out of BlackRock”**

*“Texas is pulling \$8.5 billion in investments out of BlackRock over its policies for environmental, social, and governance (ESG). It argues that the policies of BlackRock are destructive to key industries, and the divestments follow other states also pulling funds out of the multinational investment company. This comes amid a broader pushback overall against ESG and related programs, as the system is being deemed a way of forcing businesses to adhere to policies that can be financially damaging, and may not reflect what’s actually needed.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/in-blow-to-esg-agenda-texas-pulls-nearly-10-billion-out-of-](http://www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/in-blow-to-esg-agenda-texas-pulls-nearly-10-billion-out-of-)

- **“Net Zero by 2050 Policy Will Soon Make Canadians Poor and Cold”**  
*“Over the next decade the political goal of achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 will make Canadian adults and their children poorer than their parents’ generation, without measurably impacting climate change or planetary CO2 levels. As already seen in the UK, as well as in Germany and other EU countries, green transition “leadership” prioritizing weather-dependent electricity generation (solar and wind) combined with other net zero policies has been disastrous. It will hike food prices, make transportation of goods and people much more expensive, and escalate our heating and lighting bills.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/net-zero-by-2050-policy-will-soon-make-canadians-poor-and-cold-5608633](http://www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/net-zero-by-2050-policy-will-soon-make-canadians-poor-and-cold-5608633)  
**CANADIAN GOAL:** [climateinstitute.ca/reports/canadas-net-zero-future/](http://climateinstitute.ca/reports/canadas-net-zero-future/)
- **“Farmers Struggling to Keep Up With ‘Constantly’ Changing Environmental Laws”**  
*“Environmental policies are making life harder for farmers and it could bear a cost for customers and shoppers, a peak body has warned. During a Senate hearing on March 12, Michael Drum, executive officer at Macquarie River Food and Fibre, a peak body representing 500 families and businesses holding river, water, and ground water licences in the Macquarie Valley Catchment, spoke about the impact of government regulations on farmers. Mr. Drum said agricultural policies had driven compliance to “a much greater level than it ever had been in Australia”, adding more costs to producers, and subsequently for customers.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/farmers-struggling-to-keep-up-with-constantly-changing-environmental-laws-peak-body-5606384](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/farmers-struggling-to-keep-up-with-constantly-changing-environmental-laws-peak-body-5606384)
- **“Report Says Australia Faces 56 ‘Nationally Significant Climate Risks’”**  
*“A new Australian government report states that there are 56 “nationally significant climate risks facing Australia”. The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water delivered Australia’s first National Climate Risk Assessment (pdf) together with the Australian Climate Service. In one “plausible worst-case scenario”, the report warns financial services could be withdrawn from communities in response to extreme events.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/report-names-56-climate-risks-including-withdrawal-of-financial-services-5605514](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/report-names-56-climate-risks-including-withdrawal-of-financial-services-5605514)  
**REPORT:** [www.dceew.gov.au/climate-change/publications/nkra-first-pass-risk-assessment](http://www.dceew.gov.au/climate-change/publications/nkra-first-pass-risk-assessment)
- **“Corporations Are Losing the ESG Battle, Forcing Them to Hide Advocacy”**  
*“If what these groups and these asset managers were doing was so righteous, why are they running from it now?” says Montana attorney general.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/article/corporations-are-losing-the-esg-battle-forcing-them-to-hide-advocacy-5601542](http://www.theepochtimes.com/article/corporations-are-losing-the-esg-battle-forcing-them-to-hide-advocacy-5601542)
- **“The Left’s Beef With Beef”**  
*“New York Attorney General Letitia James has a beef with beef. This week, Ms. James sued the JBS USA Food Co., the U.S. subsidiary of the world’s largest beef producer, accusing it of “fraudulent and illegal business activities” and demanding “disgorgement of all profits and ill-gotten gains”. Disregard the inflammatory language. Ms. James’s lawsuit is frivolous—a mere publicity stunt. Ms. James is using the state’s legal apparatus to punish individuals and industries unpopular with the left—sacrificing the rule of law in the process. If she can make the Empire State into a living hell for beef producers, she can do it to any other industry. Her politically motivated legal attacks will scare companies out of New York. Your business or job could be next.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/the-lefts-beef-with-beef-5601856](http://www.theepochtimes.com/opinion/the-lefts-beef-with-beef-5601856)
- **“Victoria’s Offshore Wind Zone Slashed to One-Fifth of Original Size”**  
*“The works around were originally planned to stretch from Warrnambool in Victoria up to Port MacDonnell in SA, an area of more than 5,000 square kilometres...A planned offshore wind zone off Victoria’s coast is been approved at only a fraction of the size originally planned after community groups and environmental lobbyists voiced their concerns about the impact on marine life.”*

\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/victorias-offshore-wind-zone-slashed-to-one-fifth-of-original-size-5601368](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/victorias-offshore-wind-zone-slashed-to-one-fifth-of-original-size-5601368)

**DECLARATION:** [www.dcceew.gov.au/about/news/declaration-southern-ocean-offshore-wind-zone](http://www.dcceew.gov.au/about/news/declaration-southern-ocean-offshore-wind-zone)

- **“Retailers Cutting Down on Choice to Reduce ‘Consumption-Based Emissions’”**  
*“Retailers are cutting back on variety. Various brands are reducing the number of options for products and are instead focusing more heavily on just their bestselling goods. This shift is being touted as a response to difficulties in the market, and to a push to make life easier for people doing their shopping. But, the shift also aligns with an agenda described under the C40 program for “Reducing Consumption-based Emissions”.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/retailers-cutting-down-on-choice-to-reduce-consumption-based-emissions-5600328](http://www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/retailers-cutting-down-on-choice-to-reduce-consumption-based-emissions-5600328)
- **“Australia’s Transmission Projects Permitted to Avoid ‘Uncomfortable Scrutiny’”**  
*“Two of Australia’s major renewable energy transmission projects have been given the green light despite not going through a mandatory scrutiny process, a move that could put \$9 billion (US\$5.9 billion) of taxpayer money at stake and allow cost blowouts to go under the radar. New South Wales (NSW) grid operator Transgrid is building three massive transmission projects under a simultaneous program. This includes HumeLink, which will connect the new Snowy Mountains Hydroelectric Scheme and the renewable energy sources in the South West NSW to Sydney, Wollongong, and Newcastle via the Bannaby substation. However, the think tank Centre for Independent Studies (CIS) said that the Humelink and VNI West projects did not have to go through a mandatory consultation process. The independent think tank said this occurred after the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) issued a waiver to the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO).”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/world/australias-transmission-projects-permitted-to-avoid-uncomfortable-scrutiny-think-tank-5598203](http://www.theepochtimes.com/world/australias-transmission-projects-permitted-to-avoid-uncomfortable-scrutiny-think-tank-5598203)
- **“Net-Zero Climate-Control Policies Will Fail The Farm”**  
*“Federal policymakers are pursuing expensive climate-control and emissions policies that have largely failed in Europe—and the American farm and household will be required to pay for them. President Trump withdrew the United States from the ideological Paris Climate Accords that burden U.S. industry with strident carbon emissions reduction efforts theoretically designed to reach unreachable emissions objectives. President Biden rejoined the accords on his first day in office, and his administration has pursued a quixotic goal of “net-zero” carbon emissions by regulation and legislation ever since. After recommitting the United States to the net-zero climate-control agenda, the president and Congress revived significant misguided features of the once-failed “Green New Deal” through the Inflation Reduction Act. Then, the Biden administration used executive power to restrict oil and natural gas supply, make chemical feedstocks more expensive to buy and produce, and enlisted the Securities Exchange Commission to require new “environmental, social, governance” or ESG reports to track carbon emissions from farm to table. These federal initiatives and requirements will prove expensive and economically destructive here—just as they have been in Europe”*  
\* [www.buckeyeinstitute.org/library/docLib/2024-02-07-Net-Zero-Climate-Control-Policies-Will-Fail-the-Farm-policy-report.pdf](http://www.buckeyeinstitute.org/library/docLib/2024-02-07-Net-Zero-Climate-Control-Policies-Will-Fail-the-Farm-policy-report.pdf)  
**REPORT:** [www.buckeyeinstitute.org/library/docLib/2024-02-07-Net-Zero-Climate-Control-Policies-Will-Fail-the-Farm-policy-report.pdf](http://www.buckeyeinstitute.org/library/docLib/2024-02-07-Net-Zero-Climate-Control-Policies-Will-Fail-the-Farm-policy-report.pdf)
- **“Climate Expert: ‘They Want to Ration Us CO2’ and ‘Hook It Up With Digital Currency’”**  
*“Frank Lasee, president of Truth in Energy and Climate, says the increase in electric bill rates is just starting. He sits down with NTD’s Jack Bradley to talk about what makes the electric rate climb, how climate models are fixed, and the unreliable “reliable energy.” Mr. Lasee shares examples of the testing steps from the climate agenda and what could be the intention behind it.”*  
\* [www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/climate-expert-they-want-to-ration-us-co2-and-hook-it-up-with-digital-currency-5595992](http://www.theepochtimes.com/epochtv/climate-expert-they-want-to-ration-us-co2-and-hook-it-up-with-digital-currency-5595992)

- **“Rural America Set to Be Transformed by up to 55 Million-Acre Federal Solar Plan”**  
*“Solar energy’s appetite for vast amounts of land has prompted the Biden administration to propose designating as much as 55 million acres of public lands as potential sites for industrial-scale solar farms. That’s an area larger than 36 states and similar in size to Idaho or Minnesota. An updated initiative by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), called the Western Solar Plan, proposes six alternatives for solar development.”*  
 \* [www.theepochtimes.com/article/rural-america-set-to-be-transformed-by-55-million-acre-federal-solar-plan-5594814](http://www.theepochtimes.com/article/rural-america-set-to-be-transformed-by-55-million-acre-federal-solar-plan-5594814)  
**REPORT:** [blmsolar.anl.gov](http://blmsolar.anl.gov)
- **“Pfizer and Moderna COVID Vaccines’ Efficacy Exaggerated, Effectiveness ‘Well Below’ 50 Percent, Researchers Say”**  
*“Researchers allege that biases and manipulation of Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccine clinical data have exaggerated vaccine efficacy and underestimated vaccine adverse events. While most clinical trials would evaluate the effects of a drug from the day it is administered, these COVID-19 mRNA vaccines are not being evaluated from the first day the vaccines are given. A later date is chosen, which inflates the vaccine’s perceived efficacy and safety, researchers say. It could make an ineffective vaccine — a COVID vaccine with zero efficacy — have a perceived vaccine effectiveness of up to 48 percent, said researcher Raphael Lataster on Feb. 26, citing a paper authored by professor Peter Doshi from the University of Maryland and others.”*  
 \* [www.theepochtimes.com/health/pfizer-and-moderna-covid-vaccines-efficacy-exaggerated-effectiveness-well-below-50-percent-researchers-say-5595590](http://www.theepochtimes.com/health/pfizer-and-moderna-covid-vaccines-efficacy-exaggerated-effectiveness-well-below-50-percent-researchers-say-5595590)  
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