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## Press Release



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### **Fight Virus not Carbon – CLINTEL to World Leaders**

(Calgary, Alberta) In an [open letter to world leaders, CLINTEL](#), the international climate intelligence organization based in Holland, is calling for world leaders to abandon NetZero2050 and Green New Deal climate plans to focus on COVID19 reconstruction.

The CLINTEL letter is signed by national ambassadors of the organization from countries around the world, including Professor Fritz Vahrenholt of Germany.

In recent years, Vahrenholt has called on government officials to refrain from hasty policies on climate and renewable energy, saying [“Let’s not commit economic suicide”](#). In a 2012 interview [in Der Spiegel](#) with Prof. Vahrenholt, who was an environmental activist and author from early on in his career, he stated he felt he’d been ‘duped on climate’ and thus became outspoken on the matter.

Vahrenholt is co-author of the book [“The Neglected Sun”](#) wherein he and Sebastien Lüning present solid evidence of the solar influence on climate change.

In 2009, Vahrenholt, an energy expert, reviewed a draft of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report upon request, only to find some 293 errors and over 1,000 deficiencies. This, combined with low performance of wind farms associated with renewable energy firm where he was a managing director, caused him to question the quality of IPCC claims about carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) as the primary driver of human-caused climate change. His research found that wind farm performance was tied to solar cycles that affected various natural atmospheric oscillations.

Thus, Vahrenholt’s evidence and the position of CLINTEL strongly contradict the climate activists who now demand a Green New Deal, with renewables and draconian decarbonization measures as the solution for the alleged climate ‘crisis’ and the present economic decline due to the corona virus pandemic (COVID-19).

In related commentary, Robert Lyman, Ottawa energy policy consultant has issued a report entitled [“When Climate Policy Fails”](#), showing that the many catastrophic predictions of the climate movement simply have failed to appear.

Though Naomi Klein and husband Avi Lewis are pushing for the Green New Deal and their “LEAP”

Manifesto, now tagging onto Greta Thunberg's "Fridays For Future" movement, a report by Friends of Science Society shows that people should "[Look Before You Leap](#)" into climate emergency mode. Friends of Science has published the [LOOK Manifesto](#) in response. Avi Lewis appears to be "[In the Dark on Renewables](#)" according to a power generation study.

The decline in global emissions has some climate activists rejoicing in the tragedy of the COVID-19 pandemic, claiming this is evidence that rapid decarbonization to NetZero2050 goals are attainable. However, Prof. Michael J. Kelly of Cambridge University asserts that [rapid decarbonization would lead to mass deaths](#). Likewise, hospitals and modern medicine require fossil fuels for all aspects of operation, especially reliable, affordable, high quality electrical power, as discussed in Friends of Science Society's 2015 report: "[Burning Questions](#)".

NetZero decarbonization and electrification in Canada would leave the country bankrupt and in the dark, according to Friends of Science 2019 report: "[Shocking Reality](#)". Further, Robert Lyman shows there would be zero benefit to climate change but there would be a shocking loss of "[Prosperity Foregone](#)."

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About:

Friends of Science Society is an independent group of earth, atmospheric and solar scientists, engineers, and citizens who are celebrating its 17th year of offering climate science insights. After a thorough review of a broad spectrum of literature on climate change, Friends of Science Society has concluded that the sun is the main driver of climate change, not carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

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