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Made in America Panel Estimates that Tapping into Domestic Energy Supplies Saves American Consumers \$265 Million a Day

Host Neal Asbury opened his nationally syndicated "Neal Asbury's Made in America" show on Radio America (aired by some 70 affiliates) by wondering how in the aftermath of the Paris and California mass shootings that the president continues to propose that global warming (or Republicans) is the biggest threat to America.

"It's not that Americans don't feel safe because they are afraid that the Earth's temperatures might rise by 1 degree – it's because that they fear for their personal safety due to the increase in unprovoked attacks," proposed Neal.

Co-host Dr. Rich Roffman agreed, adding that the president is so disconnected to the realities of our security that he can't even utter the words "Islamic terrorists," even as more of them are involved in attacks all over the world.

"Do we really want to live in country where we are scared to go to work or shop at a mall? Instead of preventing more attacks, our president is fearmongering global warming," maintained Neal.

The first guest on Made in America was Shawn Martini, the Communications Director for the Consumer Energy Alliance, who is frustrated that even as gas prices at the pump fall below \$2.00 per gallon, the president continues his attack on fossil fuels—In fact, Martini estimates that American consumers now save \$265 million a day in energy costs.

"People driving during Thanksgiving got something akin to a holiday bonus because of the money they saved on gasoline. It looks like lower gas prices will persist through 2016. The average price for a gallon of gasoline today is \$2.05. Even gas retailers are benefiting because gas consumption is up as consumers react to lower prices. The key is the use of new technologies like fracking and horizontal drilling that have helped us tap into oil reserves that were once unreachable and unaffordable," noted Martini.

Dr. Roffman added that the U.S. actually has a glut of oil supplies; even larger than originally estimated.

Martini proposed that the ability to export oil, which was banned during the oil embargo of the 1970s, is no longer necessary and domestic gas consumption can accommodate both exports and domestic energy needs.

The conversation segued to Obamacare, which shows signs that it is collapsing onto itself. Even the CEO of United HealthCare, the country's biggest healthcare insurer and the foundation of Obamacare, admits that he regrets that he agreed to participate in Obamacare.

Dr. Roffman added that the CEO actually admitted that his participation in Obamacare was a bad decision, and that they should have waited longer before getting involved. Healthcare prices under Obamacare are soaring, forcing a pizza parlor in Brooklyn to raise their prices because he can't afford to underwrite his employees' healthcare costs.

Neal warned that all of us should be watchful to see if United Health Care suddenly does an about face and endorses Obamacare, it means that the federal government has given United Health Care bailout subsidies.

"It's all about Obama's legacy. Obamacare is his signature program and he will do everything he can to prop it up to preserve his legacy," suggested Dr. Roffman.

The next Made in America guest was Paul "Chip" Knappenberger from the Cato Institute, who proposed that the president is desperate to convince the American people that global warming is a big threat, and keeps ratcheting up the fear factor even as members of Congress are moving away from the president's message.

"After every major storm, somebody from the administration is trotted out to attribute it to global warming. But when it's a really nice day, nobody talks about global warming. The Paris energy summit is another attempt to raise interest in global warming—or climate change, but most analysts have no idea what is supposed to be accomplished in

Paris. If the main thrust is to agree that if global temperatures rise by 2 percent, it will have a major impact on the environment, it will fall on deaf ears," suggested Knappenberger.

He noted that the U.S. is in the driver's seat when it comes to global warming because we have raised global temperatures by 1/10th of a degree Celsius. But the world's biggest polluters --China and India -- have shown an ongoing refusal to sign any environmental measures.

"The whole climate problem is exaggerated. We should be carrying on normally and not worry about it," concluded Knappenberger.

The final guest on Made in America was former energy policy advisor Jack Rafuse who proposed that Obama is trying to give the impression that he's in favor of an energy policy that promotes oil exports, while he has shown no support for it at all.

"There is only one person in our nation who is standing in the way of oil exports, and he is the president," contended Rafuse.

Neal and Dr. Roffman segued to a discussion about advances in robotics, including a Japanese robotic arm that can identify pieces in a jumble of components and select the proper ones.

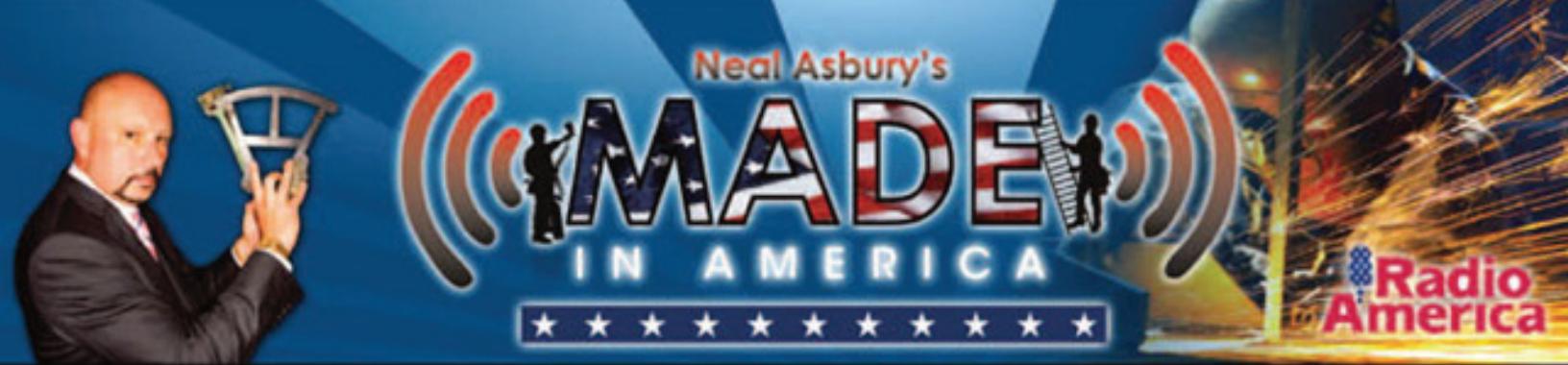
"Robotics is evolving so rapidly that there is a robot that can learn a complete manufacturing process in 8 hours – something that takes the average worker weeks or even months to learn. Think how long it will take a robot to learn basic skills like hamburger flipping," noted Dr. Roffman, who added that a new study predicts that 80 million global jobs can be lost to robotics.

Dr. Roffman returned to his ongoing topic of cronyism, revealing that the charitable organizations willing to accept refugees have more than a religious incentive because they are receiving a \$500 bounty for each refugee that settles in the U.S.

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