



TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE?

An Easy Answer to *Global Warming* and *Dependence on Foreign Oil*

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Those who believe in *Global Warming* feel that our use of oil is a major factor in the problems they see. But, whether or not you believe in *Global Warming*, everyone recognizes that our *Dependence on Foreign Oil* (with the possible exception of Canadian and Mexican oil) is a big problem in itself.

Forbes (in their August 24 issue) has proclaimed *Exxon-Mobil* to be *Green Company of the Year* because of their new focus on producing liquified natural gas (LNG) in Qatar. Natural gas (methane) burns much cleaner than either coal or oil, so increased use of methane helps solve both problems ... especially if we can identify additional sources closer to home. That general idea got me thinking ...

Maybe there is such a source ... bovine flatulence! It's been estimated that cattle produce 18% of America's greenhouse gases as a result of their "emissions" – which are largely methane. [Note: human "emissions" likewise are mostly methane, but most of us don't produce it in anything like the quantity of Bossie and friends.] We already hook cows up to milking machines, why not ...

If you're skeptical about any of this, check out the photo on the next page. After seeing it, I bet you'll believe ...

... then again, maybe not.

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