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Groups Hold Pre-Halloween Rally to Promote Clean Energy Treats, Expose Big Oil's Dirty Tricks

LANSING, MI (October 29) – Clean energy advocates dressed in wind turbine and solar panel costumes took to the steps of the state Capitol Thursday to rip the mask off Big Oil's tricky campaign to defeat federal clean energy legislation.

Individuals dressed as Oil Can Stan and the Wendy the Wind Turbine spoke at a press conference aimed at ripping off the mask of lies that have been pushed by Big Oil and their allies.

“This Halloween, citizens are urged not to be scared by Big Oil's dirty scare tactics that will keep us from our clean energy treats,” said **Danielle Korpalski, regional outreach coordinator for the National Wildlife Federation**. “Clean energy could create more than 50,000 new jobs in Michigan jobs and billions of dollars in new investment.”

The oil industry, which gave America \$4-per gallon gasoline and racked up record profits as the national economy collapsed in 2008, has spent more than \$100 million to defeat federal clean energy legislation.

“Big Oil is engaged in a desperate, deceptive campaign to kill federal climate and energy legislation that the majority of Americans support,” Korpalski said.

The U.S. Senate will soon begin deliberations on the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act. The Senate bill improves upon the House-passed American Clean Energy and Security Act by reducing greenhouse gas emissions 20 percent by 2020 (compared with 17 percent by 2020 in the House bill) and 83 percent by 2050.

The proposed legislation would drive the development of a clean energy economy that could create 2 million new jobs. It will also increase America's energy independence, improve energy efficiency and slow climate change.

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