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I saw oil again hit a peak today. It was up over $80 a barrel. The dollar is weakening. Why is the dollar weakening? Because global investors are losing confidence in our currency. We can restore that confidence by being the centerpiece of this green revolution.

Mr. TONKO. Representative POLIS, I believe that volatility, that unpredictable nature of what we have to pay for this import of oil or gasoline should really drive our thinking. And I firmly believe, with every ounce of my being, that this is the moment for America. This is our moment, a golden opportunity to turn green. And we can grow an economy and really respond to the environment that needs to be nurtured by us, and we can utilize our energy resources in an efficient way by having this American power that will power America. And this is our moment, and we can't walk away from it.

Mr. POLIS. Our time is soon coming to an end. Do you have any closing thoughts, Mr. HEINRICH?

Mr. HEINRICH. Just to thank my friend from New York for really closing, I think, on the issue we need to think about. This is about independence. It's about seizing the moment. And it's about providing the good jobs of tomorrow for the next generation. For my sons who are 6 and 2½, I want them to grow up in this country with the same opportunities that I had and more. And it's going to be up to us to be able to pass this legislation to be able to provide those kinds of opportunities for the future generations of our Nation.

Mr. POLIS. When people hear the American Clean Energy and Security Act, when they hear cap-and-trade, when they hear these, this is what they really mean, a lot of things we talked about here today. We are talking about the future of the American economy. We're talking about creating green jobs. We're talking about saving American households $750 a year within 10 years and $3,900 a year within 20 years. We are talking about creating an immense growth sector, making America the center of this technology, exporting this technology to some of the very same countries that we rely upon today for importing either manufactured products or energy-related products.

And, most importantly, we are talking about ending the cost of inaction. We are talking about completely reducing a lot of these hidden costs and overt costs that we are paying every day when you fill up your tank with gas; sending our men and women overseas; importing products from overseas; sending our jobs overseas; and, of course, climate change, which is having an effect on farmers across our country as well as everybody else.

So by passing this American Clean Energy and Security Act, which our SEEC coalition, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Coalition, is heavily involved with here in the United States Congress, can be the single most important act that we take this term in Congress to help make sure that America has a strong economy throughout the rest of this century and that the dollar regains its strength, that we create jobs here in our country, and we also save American taxpayers and families money along the way.

So when people hear about this debate and they hear about costs, they need to realize the costs of inaction are greater, and they need to realize that the benefits of taking the right action now, and the right action is in this bill, will be a great testimony to America's success and ingenuity for the next generation.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. HILL (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today after noon on account of family reasons.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. BERKLEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. BERKLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENGEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PAULSEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK, for 5 minutes, June 11.

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, June 17.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, June 17.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, June 17.

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MANZULLO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. OLSON, for 5 minutes, June 11.

Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today and June 11.

Mr. BROUN of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HENSARLING, for 5 minutes, June 11.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, June 11, 2009, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2091. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Metconazole; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0514; FRL-8408-6] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2092. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Novaluron; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0166; FRL-8409-8] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2093. A letter from the Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on Joint Officer Management, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 667; to the Committee on Armed Services.

2094. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the legislative proposal entitled, ''Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009'', or ''PAYGO'', together with a sectional analysis; (H. Doc. No. 111—46); to the Committee on the Budget and ordered to be printed.

2095. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Extended Permit Terms for Renewal of Federally Enforceable State Operating Permits [EPA-R05-OAR-2008-0031; FRL-8899-3] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2096. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Kentucky; Section 110(a)(1) Maintenance Plans for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard for the Huntington-Ashland Area, Lexington Area and Edmonson County; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule [EPA-R04-OAR-2007-1186-200821(w); FRL-8900-4] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2097. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Finding of Failure to Submit State Implementation Plans Required for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone national Ambient Air Quality Standard; North Carolina and South Carolina [EPA-R04-OAR-2009-0043; FRL-8901-8] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2098. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementations Plan, North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2008-0668; FRL-8780-1] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2099. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2008-0891, FRL-8782-7] received May 5, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.