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## **One More Time – Stop the Global Warming Committee NOW!**

*Chairman Thilly's Conflict of Interest puts Credibility of Global Warming Task Force in Doubt*

**Madison:** Senator Glenn Grothman (R-West Bend) will publicly ask the Chairman of the Clean Energy Committee to begin today's hearing with discussion as to whether the committee should be disbanded now that efforts of Representative Brett Davis (R-Oregon) have revealed that WPPI Energy of Sun Prairie is a major financial beneficiary of high-priced renewable energy.

"This whole thing smells – Roy Thilly, the chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Global Warming, made it sound during the initial hearing as if he was concerned about the climate and renewable energy. Now it turns out he has such a financial stake in this matter that he could not possibly be an impartial chair and the Task Force's work should be promptly dispatched to the wastebasket," Grothman said.

"The idea we would even consider spending billions of dollars on alternative energy because of the recommendations made by a task force that was run by a man with such a brazen conflict of interest is untenable. He really should have disqualified himself as chairman before the task force started. In the alternative, the Clean Energy Committee ought to at least suspend operations until we get a thorough review of how much money Mr. Thilly and his company would get if this legislation would pass as proposed," said Grothman.

Senator Grothman reiterated his call to disband the Clean Energy Committee as Wisconsin has had its second year in a row of temperatures below average, calling the whole rationale of the original task force in question. At the first committee meeting Senator Miller adjourned the committee while Senator Grothman tried to get his attention to discuss this fact.

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