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Commissioners,

I made reference to the importance of following events around the world related to energy, both in policy and practice. The articles linked below actually ran in the few days both before and after your Dec. 5 meeting, and they support the issues I've been framing for many months.

Climate Lunacy Takes Center Stage (Excerpt:)

> *People look out their windows and realize the "unprecedented climate and weather chaos" isn't actually happening, is little different from what they and previous generations experienced, and cannot possibly be attributed solely to fossil fuel use. They know the sun and other powerful natural forces have driven frequent climate changes throughout history, and play equally important roles today.*
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> *They know even Germany and Japan are burning more coal, as they realize that wind and solar subsidies and facilities raise energy costs, kill jobs and hurt poor families the most.*
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> *People resent being scammed and get angry when they realize their taxes and energy payments often line the pockets of climate activists, scientists, bureaucrats, politicians, and wind, solar and biofuel cronies.*
> *Above all, a growing number see the proposed solutions as far worse than the wildly exaggerated and even fabricated climate disasters. They won't tolerate having their livelihoods and living standards disrupted or destroyed by carbon taxes, even higher energy prices or fossil fuel bans – especially when the antipathy toward those fuels is combined with plans to terminate nuclear and even hydroelectric power.*
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> *In recent weeks, millions of mostly poor, working class and rural French citizens have joined the Gilets Jaunes (Yellow Vests) movement, protesting and even*

rioting against President Macron's proposed carbon tax hikes on their driving and living standards. Even a French police union has sided with the protesters. A shaken Macron finally postponed the tax for six months, then scrapped the plan entirely.

The protests are the first serious backlash against international eco-imperialism. They won't be the last.

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