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TRUST DEFICIT DEEPENS

President Obama and proponents of the cap-and-trade legislation are trying desperately to market this legislation in any way they can. The latest attempt is to call it a jobs program because they know that is what Americans are really concerned about. No amount of spin will hide the truth: this legislation will destroy American jobs and further prolong our economic recovery.

Voters Believe Cap-and-Trade Will Not Create Jobs

Voters Believe Jobs Should Come First. "Even as the Obama administration is pushing for climate protection legislation, 62 percent of those polled agreed that 'economic growth should be given priority, even if the environment suffers to some extent.'" (Andy Barr, "Economy turmps climate as concern," [POLITICO](#), 10/20/09)

Climate Change Is Not A Priority For Voters. "45 percent rated the economy as the most important issue in deciding their vote if the congressional election were held today, followed by 21 percent who said government spending, 20 percent who chose health care reform and 9 percent who said the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Just 4 percent ranked climate change as the top issue." (Andy Barr, "Economy turmps climate as concern," [POLITICO](#), 10/20/09)

Despite President Obama Pitching Cap-and-Trade As A Job Creator

President Obama Says Cap And Trade "A Job Creator." "And from my perspective, from an economic perspective, this is a job creator. My secretary of energy, Steven Chu, just went to China. China is right now preparing for a strategic set of investments to corner the market on clean and renewable energy. They've said, 'You know what, this is going to be the future. We want to be the Saudi Arabia of clean energy.' And they're pouring billions of dollars of investments into this right now. Now, this is where things are going to go. And the question is, 'Who's going to do it?' And my attitude is an area like Southwest Virginia, that already has experience in energy, has workers who understand energy, for them to position

themselves as a cutting-edge leader in this, as opposed to resisting change, that makes sense." (J. Todd Foster, "Health Care Q&A: Interview With President Obama," [Bristol Herald Courier](#), 7/30/09)

President Obama: "And most importantly, it will make possible the creation of millions of new jobs. Now, make no mistake -- this is a jobs bill." (President Barack Obama: Remarks on Energy Legislation, [The White House](#), 6/25/09)

The Alliance for Jobs and Affordable Energy (AJAE) is an organization dedicated to educating voters, employers, employees, and the general public about the negative economic impact of Congress's cap-and-trade legislation - also known as the American Clean Energy and Security Act - which is now being considered by the U.S. Senate. You can learn more about AJAE at <http://allianceforjobsandenergy.org>

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