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Carbon Constrained

Regarding "Industry Groups Concerned by Greenhouse Gas Rules," the April 30 Regulation Watch column:

The California Chamber of Commerce and the California Manufacturers & Technology Association along with the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers and the Western States Petroleum Association must understand that with passage of AB 32 we have entered into a carbon-constrained economy.

Greenhouse gas emissions, and in particular fossil fuels (coal, oil and gas) emissions have dramatically increased from 23 gigatons in 2002 to 32 gigatons in 2006. Earth is irrefutably warming up as evidenced by the warmest December to February ever recorded and the warmest April in England since the inception of record keeping from 1659.

California's leadership with AB 32 sets the bar for the rest of our nation, and the stage for our future.

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