Boycott of Exxon/Mobil

Exxon/Mobil has come under fire by the American people. They are tired of the high gas prices and manipulation these oil companies are doing. One main factor of frustration is the fact that in the last quarter (just the last 3 months of 2005 alone) Exxon/Mobil announces an American historical high profit of 10.7 billion dollars. They profited over 8 billion in the first quarter of this year, 2006. On one hand they claim the high prices are a result of anything from a raise in the consumption, population and natural disasters. They have even recently announced that if a hurricane (even as small as a category 3) finds it way into the gulf, gas will sky rocket well over \$3.00 a gallon (maybe even to \$4.00 a gallon), even if no damage accrues ???.

Consumption facts: A barrel of crude oil contains 49 gallons but only makes 19 to 20 gallons of Gas. Oil companies may use this to explain one part of the rise but in fact they are many products made from a barrel of oil not just 19 to 20 gallons of gas. Roofing shingles, asphalt, tires, motor oil, plastic and many more, all of which have seen great raises in prices as well. Crude oils vary in their composition, but usually consist of about 20% gasoline and naphtha, 35% gas oil, 20% lube distillate, 20% residuum, and 5% light gasoline.

The U.S. Uses about 400 million gallons of gas a day. This may sound like allot but when you factor in 100 million plus families, this only averages about 4 gallons per residence per day. How could this average consumption greatly contribute to a great need to increase the cost per gallon of gas?



Source: Cambridge Energy Research Associates

U.S. Population has 0.92% growth average. Our population: (1990: 248,709,873) (2000: 281,421,906= 32,712,033 in 10 years [average of 3,271,203 a year]) (2001:285,107,923=3,686,017 a year) (2003:290,850,005=5,742,082 in two years)[average of 2,871,041 a year]) (2005: 296,410,404=5,560,399 in two years [average of 2,780,200 a year]). The oil companies reduce the production of oil to counter growth, but what growth? We have had the lowest average growth per year since 2003 falling below 3 million a year and our national consumption only averages about 4 gallons per house hold. Statistically we should not be paying more than \$1.50 per gallon. The oil companies reduce the production of oil so that the price per barrel stays high. If they produce less and the consumption stays the same they can charge more per barrel because now you have less oil being pumped causing the consumption on paper to appear to be the biggest problem. They end up making more profit for less product as well as profit off of their employees who are no longer getting the work they need to survive. The 10.7 billion dollars may only be 10 to 11% profit on paper but it is the reduction of product that is causing the prices to sky rocket. They don't care who loses (including loyal employees, middle man covenant store, small private owned Gas stations, and Americans as a whole). Everyone suffers because of their greed except their pockets. This greed fest of the big oil companies may also be cause from them wanting to get their hands on the oil in Alaska & the Rocky mountain. Hidden beneath 1,000 feet of rock in the Rocky Mountains, lies the largest untapped oil reserve in the world - more than 2 TRILLION barrels. This is 4 times more than all the worlds reserves combined and don't include Alaska's second largest untapped reserve. I am 100% behind drilling in these location provided none of these reserves are used for exporting oil. Also that these greedy oil companies are not allowed to manipulated production for higher profits per percentage. I feel that our government must force regulation on these oil companies that would prevent them from profiting high profits at the expense of the American people. When it come to these reserves their drilling rights at these reserves (this is federal land) should be immediately removed the first time they violate profit rules that should be passed as well as fined any and all profits they make drilling in federal reserve areas. A fine of a few million dollars isn't much when you are talking about profiting 10.7 billion dollars in just 3 months.

GAS WAR - an idea that WILL work

This was originally sent by a retired Xxxx Xxxx executive. It came from one of his engineer buddies who retired from Xxxxxxxxxx It's worth your consideration.

Join the resistance!!!!! I hear we are going to hit close to \$4.00 a gallon by next summer and it might go higher!! Want gasoline prices to come down? We need to take some intelligent, united action. Xxxxxxx Xxxxxxxxx offered this good idea.

This makes MUCH MORE SENSE than the "don't buy gas on a certain day" campaign that was going around last April or May! The oil companies just laughed at that because they knew we wouldn't continue to "hurt" ourselves by refusing to buy gas. It was more of an inconvenience to us than it was a problem for them.

BUT, whoever thought of this idea, has come up with a plan that can really work. Please read on and join with us! By now you're probably thinking gasoline priced at about \$1.50 is super cheap. Me too! It is currently \$2.79 for regular unleaded in my town. Now that the oil companies and the OPEC nations have conditioned us to think that the cost of a gallon of gas is CHEAP at \$1.50 - \$1.75, we need to take aggressive action to teach them that BUYERS control the marketplace, not sellers. With the price of gasoline going up more each day, we consumers need to take action. The only way we are going to see the price of gas come down is if we hit someone in the pocketbook by not purchasing their gas! And, we can do that WITHOUT hurting ourselves. How? Since we all rely on our cars, we can't just stop buying gas. But we CAN have an impact on gas prices if we all act together to force a price war.

Here's the idea:

For the rest of this year, DON'T purchase ANY gasoline from the two biggest companies (which now are one), EXXON and MOBIL. If they are not selling any gas, they will be inclined to reduce their prices. If they reduce their prices, the other companies will have to follow suit.

But to have an impact, we need to reach literally millions of Exxon and Mobil gas buyers.

Just Don't buy gas from Mobil/Exxon. BP is fine,
Sunoco is fine, just STOP buying from Mobil/Exxon. To entice you to
purchase their product, they will start to reduce the prices.
Acting together we can make a difference. If this makes sense to you,
please pass this message on. I suggest that we not buy from EXXON/MOBIL
UNTIL THEY LOWER THEIR PRICES TO THE \$1.30 RANGE AND KEEP THEM DOWN.
THIS CAN REALLY WORK.

Although I support this boycott I wish for people to remember the following factors.

A lot of innocent people and small companies do get caught in the middle of a boycott. Most big companies will lay off employees to prevent an effect to their worshiped profit. Considering the situation we face I see no other resolution to this issue, but please be wise. They may pretend to play fair to stop the boycott, but I don't see their greed being effected until all the cards are on the table and the government enforces strict regulations. Everyone who supports this boycott should also feel strong enough about the issues to contact your State's local and federal representatives, as well as the white house. If a company uses Exxon/Mobil it should be posted on the pump or a sign below the companies sign. You may also contact the store manager and ask if your not sure. Please note some companies may be bound by contract to use Exxon/Mobil in some store but not all. These middle companies as well as small privately owned store are victims of the oil companies greed as well and should not be punished as a whole, so please only boycott the ones you know uses Exxon/Mobil gas.

Stations not Exxon related: BP also uses Amoco. Shell, Chevron, Texaco, Ingels gas are all Shell. Wal-mart uses Murphy

oil. Amerada Hess, Conoco, Sunoco, and Phillips are all independent.

Li'l Cricket, Spinx, other middle and small companies have different distributor for different stores, some may be bound by contract to Exxon but not all. Please check to avoid penalizing innocent companies and employees.

Just to note: when oil prices goes up everything goes up.

Thank You, NRW