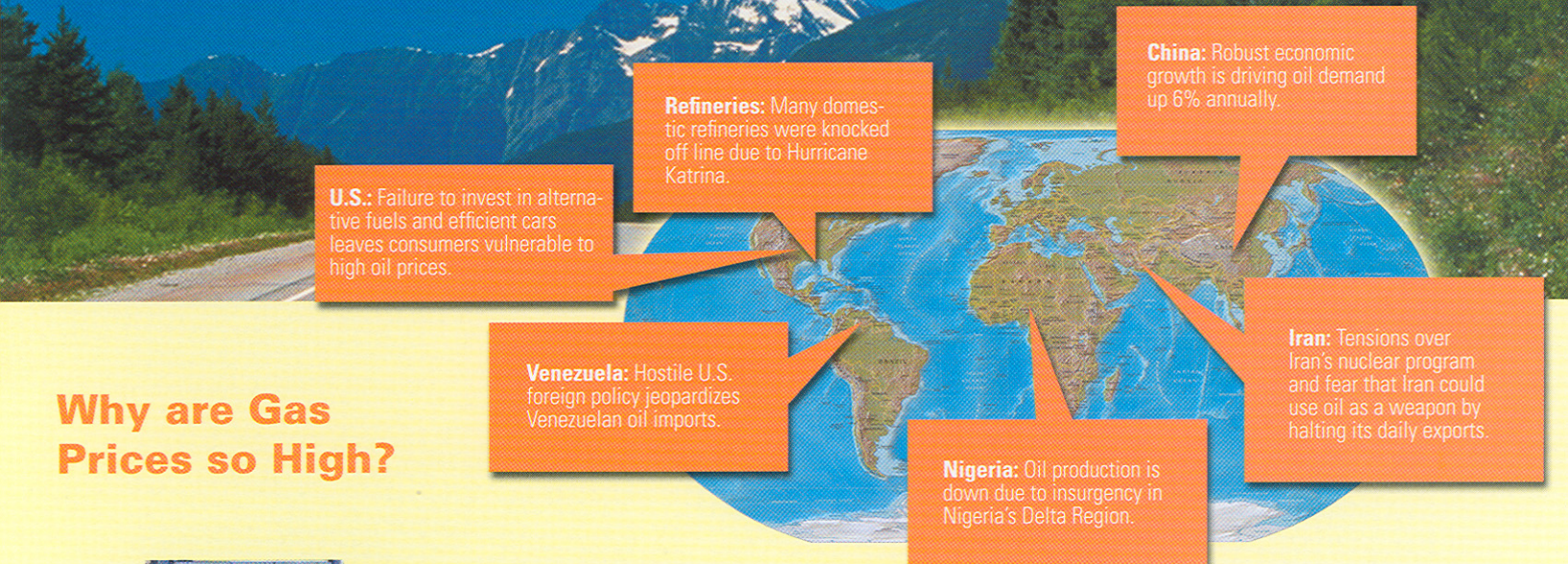


# Common Sense Energy Policy

that protects our environment.



## Why are Gas Prices so High?



Sick and tired of getting hosed at the pump? Since 2003, the price of gasoline has doubled and is now well over \$3.00 a gallon. Plus, despite growing scientific evidence of the causes and dangers of climate change, we still don't have a national policy to address it. **Here's what we can do about it.**

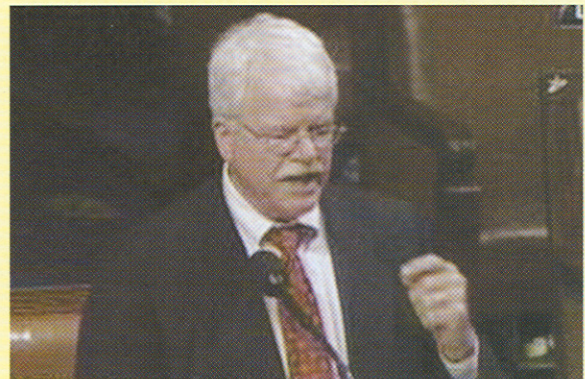
### Short Term

- Promote larger tax credits for people who make fuel-efficient purchases, including cars that run on alternative fuels, electric cars, and hybrid cars.
- Impose windfall profits tax on oil companies and invest proceeds in new technology; make companies pay fair royalties for drilling in publicly owned waters
- Increase energy conservation by promoting the use of mass transit, biking, expansion of HOV lanes, and carpooling.

### Long Term

- Cut U.S. oil demand by investing in research to make the U.S. the world leader in new technologies and markets for the next generation of revolutionary energy sources.
- Make energy technology innovation a priority – biotechnology, nanotechnology, solar, and fuel-cell research.

- Set firm and enforceable pollution-reduction targets to avoid dangerous, irreversible warming of our planet. I'm a cosponsor of the **Safe Climate Act** – establishing a flexible economy-wide cap-and-trade program for greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would also reduce emissions through renewable energy, energy efficiency, and cleaner cars.



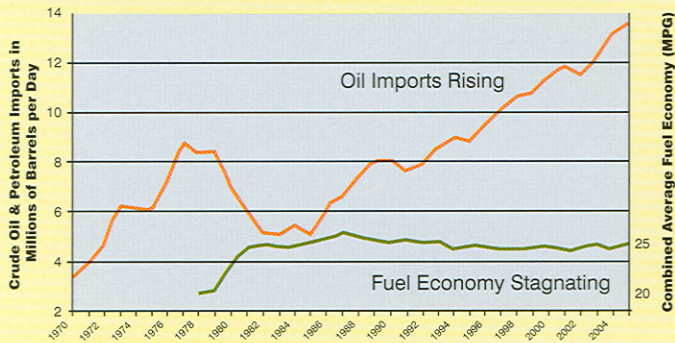
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## Increase Fuel Economy Standards

For years, automakers have claimed that fuel economy standards will force lay-offs. But last summer, when GM proposed to lay-off 25,000 autoworkers, it became evident that fuel economy standards were not the problem.

Rather, the lack of fuel economy in U.S. cars has made U.S. automakers less competitive with their foreign counterparts. I am pushing to increase fuel economy standards from today's average of 25 miles per gallon to 33 miles per gallon by 2015. Even with this modest improvement, buyers of mid-size SUVs would save \$3,200 in fuel costs over the life of the vehicle, even after paying the additional costs of the new technologies. And cars would pollute less.

**Relationship of Foreign Oil Imports to CAFE Standards**



## Reducing Congestion in Solano County

Since 2000, Congressman George Miller has secured more than \$5 million in federal aid for the **Vallejo to San Francisco** high speed ferry system, including \$1.75 million in this year's House transportation funding bill. The ferry is a success - reducing freeway traffic and employing the cleanest burning engines in the world.

The House bill includes other funding Miller sought for projects in Solano County: \$850,000 for the **Fairfield Vacaville** Intermodal Station to provide basic car, bus, vanpool, bicycle and pedestrian access to Capitol Corridor Rail Service; \$300,000 to construct a new Bay Ridge Train Bike Pedestrian Path linking **Benicia and Vallejo**, and; \$200,000 for the Highway 37 on/off Ramp in **Vallejo**.

## Energy Policy that Preserves our Environment



**I voted for the following measures to protect our coast and our environment:**

- This spring, I voted against bills to drill in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR). Drilling in ANWR would desecrate a pristine national refuge yet do nothing to reduce the price of gasoline.
- In May, I also voted to preserve the Toxic Release Inventory Program, which insures public access to critical information about chemical dumping and toxic emissions releases in our communities.
- In June, I voted for an amendment to prevent new coastal drilling and to preserve California's – and our nation's – beaches.



Rep. Miller is seen here discussing the funding with Vallejo Mayor Anthony Intintoli.

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