

Re: Politicians and energy policy

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MooseFET wrote:

On May 28, 12:41 am, "Michael A. Terrell" <mike.terr...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

MooseFET wrote:

Many years back someone where I work was provided with her very own thermostat complete with a blinking LED and a knob for setting the temperature. She was a lot more comfortable from then until someone told her it was just a box with a blinking light.

What's really sad is when some idiot pries one of those expensive plexiglas shields off a dummy thermostat, damaging the wall and shield in the process then thinks the room is actually warmer.

We really love the illusion of being in control of things even when we aren't really. The feeling that you are not in control increases your discomfort level a great deal. People often don't notice they hurt them selves at a sport when they are winning the game.

In the building I worked in some years back, the thermostat for one area was in another and the others was in the one. The result was a nifty flip flop where one heater or the other would run flat out until in managed to actually warm the other area up indirectly. Some days, when I was working on something that was actually working, I wouldn't notice. Others, I would nearly die from the heat. I am sure that the temperature was always just as uncomfortable.

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That should have been easy to fix. I'll bet the 'character' who did it was about to quit his HVAC job and did it to cost his boss in time & materials.

BTW: In the summer, people could put on extra layers of clothing so the air conditioning flip-flop was less troubling.

At one time my mother was always complaining that she was cold, and I convinced her that it was all in her mind. I had just got out of the service after a year in Alaska where it was below -20 for most of the year. After a couple weeks I never saw her shivering, or heard her complain, yet the thermostat hadn't moved. And no, she wasn't old enough to be having hot flashes.

Activity also makes a huge difference as does eating. It is very likely that what you eat matters too.

That was one of the tricks was to move around a little while working at her sewing machine to generate more heat. Also, she didn't eat enough, which slowed her metabolism.

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