



## DrumBeat: July 18, 2006

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Sweltering heat across the U.S. leads to [record-setting energy use](#) from New York to California.

In New York, power outages [stalled trains](#) yesterday. They are running on [reduced service](#) today. [LaGuardia Airport](#) suffered a power outage last night.

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### [Oil spike: a surmountable challenge?](#)

The politics of the Middle East are so incendiary that energy analysts are not sure how high prices will rise.

### [The Oil Frontier:](#)

Don't expect the scarcity of fossil fuels to drive us toward alternative energy sources anytime soon: we're getting smarter about finding and extracting oil.

### [Ford first to offer clean-burning hydrogen vehicles](#)

### [Senator to introduce landmark bill cutting fossil fuel emissions](#)

### [Repair of post-Katrina wetlands may hinge on oil](#)

### U.K.: [The new commuter belt](#)

Fed up with over-priced cities and overcrowded trains? The new breed of commuters are going to fly into work from their homes in Spain and eastern Europe, claims a trendspotting report.

### [The Big Question: Was the break-up of the railways such a disaster that it needs to be reversed?](#)

### [Plan? What plan? Alberta's energy future:](#)

It's only 16 pages long and hasn't yet been shared with the public, but Alberta's Integrated Energy Strategy, if adopted as currently drafted, could eventually leave a hefty fossil-fuel footprint on every Canadian business.

[World Bank Reaches Pact With Chad Over Use of Oil Profits](#)



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