BBC: Driven by Oil

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This is just a quick reminder that the BBC will start broadcasting their major new four part radio documentary on oil this week.

Introduction: Driven by oil.

Driven by Oil will be broadcast on Radio 4 on Mondays, at 0900 BST and 2130BST, from 4 September 2006 onward.

Part one, "When Will The Tap Run Dry?" asks will we run out of oil, and, if so, when?

Part two, "The China Syndrome" considers the huge influence emerging economies such as China and India will exert on the oil industry and world politics. Will the West come into conflict with these new consumers, and will power increasingly fall into the hands of less democratic regimes?

Weeks three and four consider Oil Terrorism and Alternatives. From the trailers that have been airing last week it sounds like peak oil will be addressed directly.

The documentary is the work of Tom Mangold, an investigative reporter and war correspondent who's been (non-exclusively) with the BBC since 1964.

I expect something like a million people will catch it either on the morning on evening broadcast and the programme will also be available over the Internet.

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