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ACID RAIN

EDITORIALS

Edmonton Journal Dec. 21/84

Environment Minister Suzanne Blais-Grenier is criticized for not being more outspoken on acid rain. The editorial states nothing will be accomplished in negotiations with the U.S. unless she becomes more forceful.

Edmonton Journal Oct. 18/84

The government's policy of cosying up to the U.S. hasn't done anything to solve the problem of acid rain. It is making Canada look silly and ineffectual to keep bringing it up. Mulroney should concentrate on cleaning up the problem in Canada and perhaps then shame the U.S. into taking action.

Montreal Gazette Oct. 15

The Conservative Government is getting off to a fine start in dealing with acid rain and deserves full public support in this area. However encouraging works by the government should not lull the public into thinking the problem will take care of itself -- it will be a difficult task.

Toronto Star Oct. 18/84

The U.S. claim that more research is needed before anything can be done about acid rain is called dubious. The problem is not if something should be done about acid rain, but how it should be done and how it will be paid for. The editorial states that if nothing is done Canada will pay a higher price in lost tourist trade and damage to its forest industry.

Ottawa Citizen Oct. 19/84

The Tory government seems to have received no more consideration from the Reagan administration on acid rain than did the Liberal. Canada should clean up its own problem before it expects the U.S. to act.

Toronto Star Nov. 25/84

The American excuse for inaction on acid rain (that more research is needed) is called a lame one. The Mulroney government should show the American that Canada is doing more to cut acid rain by tightening Canada's motor vehicle emission standards and acting on Mulroney's election promises to cut acid rain. "The clock on those commitments is ticking while the acid rain falls."