

Things That Make You Go Hmmm: PG&E's Solar Power Plans

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Just to set the record straight in case you were in any doubt, yes, I *am* one of those who thinks there's something mighty suspicious about all the fires happening in California. I suspect that I am not alone in this, for there were numerous people posting strange videos and pictures of the fire damage from the recent fires in northern California, videos and pictures which were, well, just plain anomalous: trees and shrubbery left undamaged and unburned right next to buildings and houses that were burned to the ground. Speculations have abounded as to the mechanism for creating such strange fires, ranging from the chemical aerial spraying depositing highly flammable particulate matter on the buildings (but not on the trees and shrubbery?) to exotic forms of energy weaponry, lasers... you name it. So far as I am aware, such strange anomalies haven't appeared in the recent fires in southern California (or, to put it differently, no one there has yet made me aware of any), but there are other strange things about it that nonetheless raise my suspicion meter into at least the orange zone, for example, Mr. Rupert Murdoch's home being damaged by fire. Then, suddenly, we hear that Disney wants to buy Fox for a cozy \$66 billion.

All that forms the context for this article(found and shared by Mr. B.H. and Mr. S.H.), which, taken by itself, might not be anything else than ordinary. within this context of strange fires and anomalous damage, it does raise my suspicion meter

into that orange-red zone:

[PG&E to put solar panels into space this year](#)

And here's the original 2009 article(courtesy, again, of Mr. B.H.):

[Space, the final frontier ... and California's latest source of low-carbon electricity](#)

In the 2009 article we read this:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company, which serves San Francisco and northern California, has agreed to buy electricity from a startup company claiming to have found a way to unlock the potential power supply in space. The initial plan is for the firm Solaren Corp to provide some 200MW of electricity. Solaren, which is based in Manhattan Beach, California, says it will launch a satellite with an array of solar panels around 22,000 miles above the earth's equator using existing rocket technology, and then convert the power generated into radio-frequency transmissions. The radio waves would be beamed back down to antennae in Fresno, California and then converted into electricity and fed into the regular power grid, PG&E said...The company had been in discussion with PG&E for 18 months before the company announced this week that it had agreed to buy 200 megawatts of electricity from Solaren starting in 2016. The deal has yet to be approved by California state government regulators and PG&E has not put any money into Solaren, but the promise alone has turned the notion of space based solar power from fantasy to reality.

Starting in 2016? ... hmmm... Well... regulators or no regulators, why wait?

As both articles point out, such plans have been around since the 1960s and 1970s. In fact, as I have pointed out in one of my books, the Pentagon came up with such a plan in the 1960s

to harness solar power and beam power down to the Earth in the form of microwaves, which would then be converted into safe, clean, carbonless electricity.

However, there was, as I pointed out, a slight flaw, for the collection antennae needed to collect the microwaves on the ground would essentially fry an area of about 140 square miles, denuding it of all life. Now, of course, putting solar panels in space is a far cry from putting a big mirror up there... so, where's the high octane speculation here?

Well, there's always masers (the microwave equivalent of a laser)... but then there's the atmosphere problem... but then again, there's always phase conjugation...

...nah... probably just too much high octane speculation... it's absurd. Not even worth considering.

Never mind. It was just a fleeting thought.

...gee... I wonder who's on PG&E's board?

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...well, lookee lookee...

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