

Can trading pollution like stocks help fight climate change?

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NEW YORK — The gas produced by hog manure at farms across the U.S. punches holes in the ozone layer, overheats the planet, and angers neighbors with its peculiar odor, a mix of rotten egg and ammonia.

All that’s needed to clear the air is to cover the manure with a system of tarps that captures the gas, but many farms don’t do it because it’s too expensive.

“If you don’t give people incentives to come up with solutions, they’re not going to do it,” says Rudi Roeslein, a wealthy entrepreneur who thinks he’s found a fix.

His plan: Raise money to help pay for the tarp systems through a greenhouse gas trading market in California, where companies can pay others who are helping the environment so that they can continue to pollute.

Widely derided by politicians on the left and the right, once thought dead

even by its supporters, the idea of allowing companies to buy and sell pollution “rights” like stocks is now at the fore again as 151 heads of state and government at the Paris climate conference grope for ways to avert environmental havoc.

Under such “cap-and-trade” systems, polluters are required to keep emissions below a certain level or hand over money to polluters that have managed to fall below theirs and have surplus pollution permits to sell. To cut greenhouse gases, the statewide level, or “cap,” is gradually lowered, forcing companies to figure out new ways of running their businesses to cut emissions.

If all goes well, Roeslein, an Austrian immigrant who made a fortune building metal can factories around the world, hopes to eventually capture gases from nine hog farms in Missouri that, left to rise in the atmosphere, would have done the same damage as releasing 850,000 tons of carbon

dioxide every year. His project will be like taking 180,000 cars off the road.

Roeslein is so convinced the idea will work, maybe enough to turn a profit, he’s putting \$25 million of his own money behind the venture.

California Gov. Jerry Brown, who’s created a bit of stir at the Paris talks scheduled to conclude Friday, has been touting his state’s emissions trading market as a model to help solve the global climate crisis. One study, from the non-profit Environmental Defense Fund, says emissions from companies in the market fell 11 percent below the “cap” allowed in 2013, according to the latest data available, while economic growth doesn’t appear to have been harmed.

“It has got nothing to do with do-gooders. It’s about the almighty dollar,” says Lenny Hochschild, managing director of emissions broker Evolution Markets. “It’s about incentivizing people.”

Chipotle CEO ‘deeply sorry’

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Chipotle founder and co-CEO Steve Ells says he is “deeply sorry” about the customers who were sickened after eating at the chain in recent weeks.

“I’m sorry for the people who got sick. They’re having a tough time and I feel terrible about that,” Ells said in an interview on NBC’s Today show.

Ells repeated the company’s pledge to tighten food safety procedures to ensure such incidents do not happen again.

On the same day, Boston College increased the number of students who have reported feeling ill after a group of them ate at Chipotle from 120, to 141. The school said that 12 of those students did not eat at the restaurant.

Norovirus can be transmitted by eating contaminated food, or by touching infected surfaces, then putting your fingers in your mouth.

Sales at Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc. have been slammed by high-profile food scares in recent weeks. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has said that at least 52 people in nine states have been sickened in an E. coli outbreak, with 47 of them having eaten at Chipotle. The most recent case happened Nov. 13.

The ingredient that sickened people has not been identified. But Chipotle says whatever the likely culprit was is out of its restaurants. The company has noted the exposure period for the outbreak appears to have passed.

This week students from Boston College, including members of the men’s basketball team, reported feeling sick after eating at the chain this past weekend. Chipotle temporarily closed a restaurant where the students said they ate and says it believes the illnesses are an isolated case of norovirus separate from the E. coli outbreak.

Public health officials also said norovirus was found at the restaurant, and that “the clear expectation is that the illness on campus is limited to the norovirus.”

Officials said an employee at the restaurant was sick during a shift last week and may have caused the outbreak of norovirus, which is very contagious and causes nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

NW STOCKS

Symbol	Last price	Change
ALM	\$84.36	\$0.85
AMZN	\$662.32	-\$2.47
BA	\$146.41	\$2.26
BAM	\$32.44	\$0.00
COLM	\$45.35	-\$0.14
DNDNQ	\$0.03	\$0.00
EXPD	\$46.89	\$0.60
EXPE	\$125.61	\$0.59
IP	\$38.76	-\$0.63
JWN	\$56.77	\$0.10
KS	\$23.57	-\$0.23
LEE	\$1.59	\$0.02
MENT	\$17.88	\$0.44
MSFT	\$55.27	\$0.29
MU	\$14.66	\$0.34
NKE	\$128.64	-\$0.17
NWN	\$48.81	-\$0.29
PCAR	\$48.88	\$0.04
PCH	\$31.23	-\$0.44
PCL	\$48.63	-\$0.48
POR	\$35.84	-\$0.61
SBUX	\$61.87	\$0.69
SCHN	\$15.65	\$0.18
UMPQ	\$16.60	\$0.09
USG	\$23.71	\$0.40
WM	\$52.02	\$0.13
WY	\$30.93	-\$0.25

GOLD & SILVER

	Price (troy oz.)	Pvs Day
Gold	\$1,066.40	\$1,073.30
Silver	\$14.055	\$14.15

BUSINESS

Amazon brings 60-minute booze delivery to Big Apple

NEW YORK — Amazon.com is getting into the holiday spirit, adding booze to its one-hour delivery service in Manhattan.

Until now it was only people in Seattle, the company’s hometown, who could imbibe within 60 minutes via Amazon. One-hour delivery of beer, wine and spirits costs \$7.99. It’s free to members of Amazon’s \$99 annual Prime loyalty program who can handle a two-hour wait.

GM has paid out \$595 million over ignition switch

DETROIT — General Motors has offered nearly \$595 million to surviving families of those killed and to 275 people injured in crashes that an independent compensation fund determined were caused by defective ignition switches in small cars built in the middle of last decade.

Slightly more than 90 percent of those offers were accepted, according to the final report of the GM Ignition Compensation Claims Resolution Facility. The staff, led by well-known disaster compensation expert Kenneth Feinberg, reviewed 4,343 claims filed after Aug. 1, 2014.

Of 473 claims involving fatalities, 124 were found eligible for payment, and the compensation fund offered \$1 million or more to each of those claimants. All those offers were accepted.

Airlines expect 3% increase in holiday travelers

A projected 38 million passengers will fly on U.S. carriers during the Christmas and New Year’s holidays, a 3 percent increase over last year, according to an airline trade group that attributes the rise to lower airfares and an improved economy.

The increase should result in about 73,000 more travelers a day from Dec. 18 to Jan. 3 over the same period last year, according to Airlines for America, a Washington-based trade group.

Airfares have fallen 4.3 percent over the first nine months of the year, the group said.

Federal budget deficit widens in November

WASHINGTON — The federal budget deficit widened in November, driven by higher spending in areas as such as Social Security, Medicare and defense.

The November deficit climbed to \$64.6 billion, up 13.6 percent from a year ago, the Treasury Department reported Thursday.

S. African currency plunges after finance chief fired

JOHANNESBURG — The abrupt firing of South Africa’s finance minister created uncertainty about Africa’s second-largest economy Thursday as its currency plunged to an all-time low.

Finance Minister Nhlanhla Nene was replaced after serving for less than two years.

While President Jacob Zuma gave no explanation for Nene’s removal, the main opposition party said he was fired because he opposed “excessive spending” on a proposed deal with international energy companies to build nuclear power stations and on new aircraft purchases for South Africa’s struggling national airline.

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Doctors Develop What Experts are Calling the Ultimate Digestion “Poop” Pill.

Solves the problem of constipation, gas, bloating, reflux and most chronic stomach concerns.

By Stephanie Thomas
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In China, people rarely suffer with digestion issues. Constipation and bloating are rare.

You might think it’s because of the Chinese diet. But just like in the US, the Chinese thrive on deep fried foods and plenty of starch which can cause severe constipation and abdominal pressure.

The Real Culprit

As foods are digested, water is absorbed to line the colon. But due to our unhealthy modern day diet, this watery residue turns into a slimy sludge that slows down the passage of digested food. That leads to constipation and many other embarrassing and painful digestive problems.

Eventually, this slimy residue becomes glue-like as layer upon layer builds up. It then turns toxic and begins rotting inside your colon. These toxins get released into the blood stream and circulate throughout your entire body. The end result can be severe pain and discomfort, serious health problems, chronic illness, low energy and ultimately an early death.

Why the Chinese Don’t Suffer

The REAL reason behind their remarkable digestion health has more to do with a pill called Tien Shen... a digestive pill given to most Chinese over the last four decades.

The great Chinese herbalist, Mr. Hen Sen Chin, discovered this original digestive health formula in 1951. Mr. Chin, a man who devoted his life to helping people get healthy, told all his patients, “*The answer to good health lies in the digestive system.*”

A Constipated Tale of Woe

Here in America, Franklin Brown, one of the lucky few to try Tien Shen before its U.S. release, tells his story...

“I can’t remember the last time felt good. I’d spend most days dealing with all kinds of digestive issues. I’d be constipated one day then suffering from horrible acid reflux and heartburn the next. It seemed like everything I ate turned into a nightmare!”

“This daily misery and embarrassment finally came to a head. A visit to a friend’s house ended with me doubled-over on the floor, clenching my stomach in crippling pain.”

“I thought it was severe heartburn. I was shocked to find out I was actually suffering from...”

“25 Pounds Of Decaying ‘Gunk’ Stuck In My Gut!”

At 57, Franklin’s body was revolting against decades of not taking care of the most important key to good health... his digestive system. What Franklin didn’t realize was, according to doctors, as much as 20 to 25 pounds of undigested gunk had accumulated in his gut over the years.

And he’s not alone. In the U.S. 59.3 million people suffer from constipation and bloating, just like Franklin. Constant abdominal pain, constipation, heartburn and all around poor health is often caused by intestinal problems.

Nutrition experts confirm that a whole host of diseases are caused by unhealthy eating habits. Major health problems however are often caused by simply not taking good care of your digestive system.

Fortunately for Franklin, his story didn’t end in complete disaster because of what he calls his “miracle digestive health secret.”

“I Fell to My Knees in Pain”

“I was at my friend Bill’s house watching the big game. When I got up to use the restroom my stomach pain hit me so hard my knees buckled and I went to the floor.”

“Bill thought I was having a heart attack. But I assured him it was simply



another bad case of indigestion. I’d been dealing with it for years... Although it had been getting worse and worse.

“Bill hopped to his feet and disappeared into the kitchen.”

“I recovered just enough to sit back down on the couch as he returned with a grin on his face and a bottle filled with tiny little black pills.”

Bill’s Big Discovery

“Like me, Bill’s digestive problems were constantly painful to live with. Until he discovered this all-natural ‘miracle digestive health secret’ that changed his life forever.”

Tien Shen No. 5. Changed My Life

Almost immediately, Franklin began feeling “regular” again. He quickly lost several pounds of weight and his stomach flattened as his body began shedding all the excess junk clogging his colon. Constipation and that bloated feeling of abdominal pressure were now problems in his past.

His energy skyrocketed, his skin improved and his overall health was better than it had been in decades. All this happened within a matter of days. His digestive system began performing efficiently again... for the first time in years.

Since Mr. Chin’s discovery, Chinese people have lived virtually pain free from abdominal pressure and cramps caused by constipation.

Natural Immediate Relief

Within 24 hours of taking Tien Shen No. 5, most users start using the bathroom regularly again. This is because it immediately begins cleansing the digestive system and improving the colon’s circulation. Constipation Gone!

By the end of your first month your digestive system will have corrected itself. Organ functions return to their normal healthy state. Just like Franklin, most users lose massive pounds and see a smaller waistline due to the internal cleansing process.

Franklin said, “*I was shocked to see the amount of toxic, rotting gunk that came out of me the first few days!*”

After hearing Franklin’s story, I decided to find out more about Tien Shen No. 5 and Mr. Chin, the Chinese herbalist who discovered the formula.

I sat down with Mr. Chin’s adult daughter, Juliana. She began studying herbal medicine at her father’s side when she was only 12 years old. She now runs the clinic started by her father all those years ago in China.

According to Juliana, Tien Shen No. 5 helps to gently restore your digestive functions to normal again. This not only fixes problems like constipation, bloat, stomach pain, gas and heartburn. It also helps restore your ENTIRE BODY back to normal health.

Although Tien Shen originated in China, it is now manufactured in America in a controlled facility and monitored by lab technicians.

Special Opportunity For Our Readers

If you even only occasionally suffer from constipation, gas, bloating, diarrhea and other digestive problems, Tien Shen No. 5 can help – starting in as little as 24 hours.

Right now, the distributor is offering our readers the opportunity to Tien Shen, entirely RISK-FREE! That’s right, if you don’t get the relief you need within 30 days, you’ll owe nothing! No questions asked, ever! All you have to do is call 1-800-845-7326. Tell them you saw this article and ask for their RISK-FREE introductory offer. Relief is just days away.

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