“The Great Invisible”

Deepwater Horizon Disaster

Discussion Questions

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1. What’s the scope of our dependence on oil? Just how much oil do we consume in the United States?
2. What do you see as the biggest costs of our dependence on oil? What did the movie show? What didn’t the movie show?
3. Which costs associated with oil concern you the most?
4. Do you think MOST Americans are aware/or think much about the costs of oil?
5. Which costs do you think people are aware of?
6. Do you think that more people would seek to reduce our dependency on oil if they were aware of the costs?
7. How can we make more people aware?
8. Can you think of ways to reduce your carbon footprint as it relates to transportation and consumer goods, or ensure that shippers do so?
9. What initiatives can you take to build awareness of these issues?
10. What do you think are the most important outcomes of adopting stronger truck standards?
11. How can you support this effort?
12. Can you think of ways to get others to support these standards?
13. What are other ways we can reduce our dependence on oil?
14. Can you think of other methods of reducing oil dependency and/or GHG emissions that were not mentioned?
15. How can you play a role in reducing our dependence on oil?
16. What can we do individually and collectively to reduce our dependence on oil?
17. What steps are you already taking to reduce your use of oil?
18. What obstacles do you see to reducing our dependence on oil in the United States?
19. How can you counteract the influence and power of the oil industry?