

Gordo Briefcase Licking, Jock sniffing Campbell the LIAR

BC – The Greatest Place on Earth is the big lie perpetrated by Gordon Campbell, a corporate brief case licking, jock sniffing liar. Oh for sure he's a savvy politician who knows exactly whose brief case to lick. Pattison's ilk in the auto sales industry have filled his party and personal campaign chest with over a million; the real-estate industry and developers have given several million while Plutonic Power and other IPP's have forwarded hundreds of thousands. As far as being jock sniffer goes you just watch him fawn all over athletes during the Olympics I won't be watching. He'll be all over them like a tight stinky little jock strap.



He lies about BC being green when we have one of the nation's fastest growing GHG emissions in northern gas collection, preparation and distribution. Gateway before transit is ass backwards dirty. Under his watch, we've lost many thousands of hectares of farmland.

He lied about not knowing anything about the BC Rail sale cover-up. He lied along with Poole, Podmore, Furlong, et al on the cost of the Olympics. He's lied about the long term benefits the Olympics will bring to BC. He's lied about cost savings of P3s in S2S, Golden Ears, Pitt River and hospital construction. He's lied about the cost savings and benefits of IPPs over BC Hydro development. He's lied publicly to his own grandkids about wanting a BC that is as strong and healthy as the one he grew up in. He has in effect sold out future generations in order to kowtow to corporations who are his power base.

His policies towards education, his heavy handed interference with teachers and the education system has seen this province's graduation rate from public schools plummet from second in Canada to ninth in the country during his tenure as premier. Child poverty as well has skyrocketed to number one worst in Canada since he took office in 2001.

My Family Divided

No one in my extended family is undereducated. None of us is naïve. We know there is little difference in the ability of the left to govern on behalf of the people's welfare as poorly as the right. In fact if one was judging both on brain power, the average GPA on the left is actually higher – how could it not be when a typical Liberal gang lieutenant like Kevin Falcon who drew a 2.8 GPA, before successfully running three companies into the ground, became Minister of Hwys and now Minister of Health. There are plenty of small business owners in the NDP but they have a different philosophy of life. And that is the simple difference between left and right – philosophy. Gordon Campbell et al, funded by large greedy corporations make decisions based on maximizing their profits- P3s are perfect. Those on the left make decisions balanced on human compassion and economics to wit:

Liberals Environmental Lies

B.C. is experiencing record forest fires and droughts consistent with a warmer climate. And, B.C. is experiencing floods

consistent with more extreme weather events predicted by climatologists. What has been the B.C. government's reaction? First it opposed Canada's ratification of the Kyoto protocol, then it set about implementing an energy policy that aggressively promotes the production and consumption of fossil fuels, the burning of which causes climate change. As a result, B.C.'s greenhouse-gas emissions are going up instead of down. Moreover, the Campbell government wants to lift the federal moratorium on drilling in B.C.'s sensitive marine ecosystems, a move that would not only increase B.C.'s contribution to global warming, but also expose B.C.'s sea life and pristine beaches to the risk of oil spills.



While this government has continued B.C.'s opposition to the Sumas II power plant across the U.S border from Abbotsford, it has extended the life of polluting beehive burners in communities around B.C., promoted gas-fired power plants on Vancouver Island, and even opened the door to coal-fired power plants as Ontario is phasing theirs out. On water pollution, the government rolled back legislation that would have required B.C.'s pulp mills to clean up their act. B.C.'s mills now have weaker water-pollution laws than much of Europe, and weaker air-pollution laws than the U.S. B.C. leads the country in the discharge of dangerous dioxins and furans, mainly from the pulp-and-paper industry.

On offshore oil: Gordon Campbell is pushing for increased offshore oil and gas exploration. He's been working with Exxon-Mobil on a PR campaign. During a trip to Asia, Campbell told business leaders that B.C.'s oil and gas reserves could be developed within a few short years, and this summer his finance minister, Colin Hansen, said that offshore drilling would fit in nicely with our climate change goals.

The BC Liberals since 2001:

- B.C. Rail \$1 billion giveaway to CN Rail, lost email cover-up. Since 2005 alone, CN has donated \$139,160 to the BC Liberals and nothing to other parties.
- worst child poverty in Canada for six straight years, despite our enormous wealth -- because spending on social programs was slashed early and never restored to pay for corporate tax cuts.
- 25 per cent income tax cut in 2001 was followed by a temporary sales tax increase, a permanent 50 per cent increase in Medical Service Plan premiums, higher tuition fees, carbon and fuel taxes and other user pay taxes -- meaning a dramatic increase in regressive taxes that hurt low and middle income earners while the wealthy come out ahead.
- No increase in the minimum wage for eight years and labour laws changed to make it much harder to unionize or join a union -- while the legal contracts of Hospital Employees Union members, teachers, and other workers were torn up.
- continuing export of whole raw logs. Woodworkers lose jobs, forest companies --who've collectively donated millions to the B.C. Liberals - get cash.
- privatization of one-third of B.C. Hydro to Bermuda-based Accenture and the semi-privatization of B.C. Ferries.
- Campbell's Harmonized Sales Tax -- the largest ever transfer of wealth from consumers to big business -- \$1.9 billion a year out of public pockets, into the coffers of giant corporations who bankroll the B.C. Liberal Party; extra 7% HST charged on everything from haircuts to home repairs, not a cent going to needed public services currently being slashed to the bone.
- 18 per cent Medical Service Premium increase over three years will also hurt ordinary taxpayers.

The B.C. Liberals have declared war on the working, poorer classes. That is something that would fracture any polarized family like mine.