PRO-NUCLEAR VANDALS STRIKE

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The nuclear debate in Peace River is no longer peaceful.

Pro-nuclear vandals attacked a 40 foot trailer used by nuclear opponents to get their message out. The pro-nuclear vandals painted a swastika and profanity on the side of the trailer. They also threw a Molotov cocktail (gas bomb) to further destroy the sign.



The damage to the trailer was bad enough but the situation could have been much worse. They cut a farmer's fence along highway 743 to get at the trailer. The horses in the field might have gotten on the highway and been involved in a collision with a vehicle.

It was fortunate that the flames from the Molotov cocktail did not ignite the surrounding dry grass as the ensuing fire could easily have travelled to the farmer's home which was only 200 feet away. A fire could have spread a long way before anyone noticed as the vandals attacked in the middle of the night.

This attack on our message came a day after two nuclear opponents received a death threat because of letters they wrote to the newspapers voicing their concerns about the impact the nuclear reactors will have on their farms. The RCMP is investigating both occurrences.

Bruce Power announced they have set aside \$50 million to promote this project. Grass-roots organizations and community residents have virtually no resources to publicise the nuclear information that Bruce Power doesn't want the public to know about. The trailer that was attacked by 'pro-nuclear vandals' used up the majority of our resources. Peace River residents are being asked to be the nuclear sacrifice zone for Alberta, yet the local, provincial and national media have provided scant coverage of our concerns. This week, it was vandalism and death threats. Will someone have to be hurt or killed before our struggle becomes newsworthy?