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(U//FOUO) Environmental Extremism Likely to Become a Greater Threat to the Energy Industry

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(U) Source Summary Statement

(U//FOUO) The FBI's analysis of environmental extremist targeting is based on information derived from FBI and law enforcement reporting and open sources such as news articles, policy documents, and extremist Web sites. High confidence is placed on information derived from direct observations from FBI and law enforcement case information and intelligence reports, which proved most crucial in making analytic judgments. High confidence is placed on information derived from much of the open source reporting because the legislation, policy, or news has been corroborated. Medium confidence, however, is placed on information derived from extremist Web sites because, while the criminal acts and rhetoric have been corroborated, claims of such acts may contain bias intended to influence as well as inform. The small number and varying quality of confidential human sources within the environmental extremism movement limit us to medium confidence judgments about extremists' intentions and capability with regard to targeting and tactics.

(U//FOUO) Environmental extremists continue to target the energy industry by committing criminal incidents, primarily to oppose the fossil fuel industry.¹ To date, the energy industry has encountered little more than vandalism, trespassing, and threats by environmental extremists. Based on several recent reported criminal incidents toward energy companies and affiliated industries or individuals, however, we assess with medium confidence¹ environmental extremism

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