

Explosive Profits: The Solution Lying Just Beneath Our Feet

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According to the United Nations, there are more than 8 billion people living on Earth - an enormous number. As the world population increases, so does the need for food and resources. Nearly nine million lives are lost every year due to a lack of food (*Losing 25,000 to Hunger Every Day* | *United Nations*, n.d.), demonstrating the current magnitude of the issue, which is only expected to grow. We cannot afford to allow the suffering caused by this injustice. Additionally, due to the concurrent transition to renewable energy resources, rare-earth minerals such as nickel are increasing in demand. This article proposes a simple, safe, climate-friendly, and profitable solution to both issues. We anticipate that all involved parties will benefit greatly from this proposal.

Previously proposed solutions to these issues, such as broadening our existing system of product distribution and implementing recycling systems for electronic components, provide a closed-minded and unsatisfactory approach. Our current distribution systems do not require modification. Due to their optimization in the free market, they have been carefully designed to maximize the resulting economic growth of their processes; any significant expansions into regions of low food supply would be economically inefficient. This infrastructure, and any technology recycling apparatus, would have exceedingly high upfront and maintenance costs that would not justify their use. Therefore, new, innovative solutions are required to bring about new possibilities for production of these resources.

A new technology has come to our attention that we believe deserves particular attention. Researchers at The Center for Geologic and Aeronautic Advancement have developed a chemical agent that, if applied to extinct, dormant, or active volcanoes, is able to initiate an eruption. Within several hours of its use, the solution to a multitude of issues would be delivered faster than Amazon Prime. What is particularly amazing about this new technology is that the resulting eruptions are unconstrained — these volcanic eruptions would have the same explosive force as those of Krakatoa, and it would be possible to use it multiple times per week. We believe this discovery to be the most groundbreaking innovation in the past century, and we congratulate the scientists involved for their achievements.

As volcanoes erupt, they bring forth hot magma from the inside of the earth. This magma is particularly rich in nutrients and rare-earth minerals. It is for this reason that when a volcano erupts, the surrounding land becomes a perfect environment for the cultivation of high-value crops. Additionally, volcanoes unearth some of the most expensive metals, such as neodymium and dysprosium (Deady et al., 2019). These are especially useful for innovative, new technologies, such as those used in powerful scientific equipment and current space exploration machinery.

The benefits of using volcanoes would be enormous — volcano-fertilized soil would never require the use of expensive industrial fertilizers or their costly shipping expenses. We would never have to worry about a lack of nutrients to our crop production anywhere on the planet. Volcanoes of all varieties are compatible with the newly discovered agent. Therefore, volcanoes that exist all over the world, especially in South America, Africa, and Asia would allow the use of resulting resources to be introduced to developing markets at a minimal cost.

These products could also provide significant value to all consumers. With the general public becoming aware of the ambiguity of the term “all-organic”, it becomes increasingly difficult to provide them with premium products. Therefore, using the term “volcano-enriched” could bring exactly what is needed to the produce market: a new form of produce that can be sold at a premium price.

Food companies would not be the only major beneficiaries of this strategy. In the United States, large tech companies such as Google and Apple are of the utmost importance to the economy due to their immeasurable contributions to our GDP. It is therefore imperative that they maintain their status of great influence over technology resources. So, the new agent shall be utilized to provide these companies with the optimal benefits of harvesting minerals from volcanoes.

While the evidence supporting the theory of global climate change is minimal, this technology provides a solution where there may not even be a problem. Using it on underwater volcanoes would create artificial islands, providing a limitless supply of new real estate for leasing to prospective owners of homes and businesses. If sea levels were to rise as the limited evidence suggests, the creation of new land would be a non-issue. Otherwise, it would still bring about new opportunities for establishing corporate headquarters unencumbered by allegiance to any one nation. Additionally, a byproduct of this solution is that the particles ejected into the atmosphere would serve as a shield to reduce global temperature, counteracting the theorized increase in global temperature.

We then approach the question of who is to manage these new economic stimulants. We find that corporations, the foundation of our economy, would provide the greatest benefit to global markets if

they were to have exclusive jurisdiction over volcanoes. Economic incentive is known to be the greatest spark of innovation, and therefore, the optimal path forward for ownership is to allow the land surrounding volcanoes to be sold to the most valuable 100 companies, as determined by their market cap. Using the Forbes' ranking may also be particularly helpful for this venture. These companies, rather than governments, would be best suited to manage the wealth and resources provided by the volcanoes, which is made clear by the current mishandling of global oil shortages by nation-states and their governing bodies. Additionally, the sale of these lands would provide a cash injection for governments and homeowners around the world, resulting in increased economic activity and reduced national debt.

Ownership of volcanoes in conjunction with this new technology would be a benefit to nearly every industry. As previously stated, food supply companies and tech manufacturers would see improved supply, but industries such as office supplies and automobiles would benefit from the materials brought forth from volcanoes as well. The entertainment industry would see a boost considering the broad entertainment value of a constantly erupting volcano, from tourist attractions to television programs. We estimate that these live cable airings would top the charts in both ratings and profits. The benefits span so broadly that it would be expected to see at least a few dozen eruptions around the world each day, each so powerful that they would sound like fireworks for thousands of miles. There is no conclusive estimate of the true number of volcanoes, indicating that this prediction is an understatement.

We see no truly valid reason that global implementation of this strategy would not be a universal benefit. Environmentalists will claim that this new technology would be a detriment to the global

environment, but this would be no different than any other technology they oppose. Leaving this innovation to the control of the private sector would see the benefits observed in other emerging technologies, such as the constant advancement of the Metaverse by Meta, the revolutionary formulation of decentralized digital currency by FTX, and the ingenious innovation in energy systems by ExxonMobil. Human life will also remain unaffected, as any citizens will maintain the right to sell their property and relocate with their equity while companies use the newly acquired property to grow the local economy.

As we speak, our researcher friends at The Center for Geologic and Aeronautic Advancement are improving their chemical agent to be utilized on the commercial level. We at the Foundation for Unified Commerce and Knowledge believe that it is within the interest of the public good to capitalize on the unique opportunity provided to us. The instantaneous improvement to the lives of all consumers and corporations in every industry can hardly be overstated, while the threat of global cataclysm could not possibly be further away. If we act now, the economic growth of every nation is around the corner, and the solution to a myriad of problems, foreseen and unforeseen, is within our reach.

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