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Energy from Ocean Waves, River Currents, and Wind SHYAMAL

GUHA, Texas Southern University — The Earth we live in is surrounded by fluids, which are in perpetual motion. The air in the atmosphere and water found in lakes, ocean, and rivers form our natural environment. Much of the fluid medium is in constant motion. The kinetic energy of this moving fluid is astronomical in magnitude. Over the years, I have considered methods of converting a fraction of the vast reserve of this kinetic energy into electro-mechanical energy. I have conceived a few schemes of such conversions. The fluids whose kinetic energy can be converted into electro-mechanical energy are the following: ocean waters, river currents and atmospheric air. In a book to be published in the spring of 2006, I have described different techniques of energy conversion. In the upcoming APS meeting, I plan to discuss some of these techniques.

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