

In an interview in Alaska, Gary Johnson endorsed the idea of a fee on carbon emissions.

Here's what he had to say, according to E&E News:

"Johnson described his "free market approach" to global warming to the *Juneau Empire* in an interview published this weekend. He said his plan would include a fee, "not a tax," placed on carbon, according to the newspaper."

Just by coincidence, I blogged earlier today about a small government approach to a carbon fee. We don't know the details, and Johnson's idea may look more like a straightforward carbon tax.

It's very promising that Johnson has taken this step. Many Republicans, discontented with Trump, have been considering Johnson. Maybe his position will help make the idea of a carbon tax a little less unthinkable politically.