On Deadly Ground - Steven Seagal's speech

"I'd like to start up by saying thank you to all the Brothers and Sisters that have come here today representing this cause.

I've been asked by Mystery Talk and the Tribal Council, to speak to you and the members of the press about the injustice that's been brought against us by some government officials of big business.

How many of you out there have heard of alternative engines?

Engines that can run on anything from alcohol to garbage or water, or carburetors that can get hundreds of miles to the gallon or electric or magnetic engines, that can practically run forever?

You don't know about them because if they were to come into use they'd put the oil companies out of business. The concept of the internal combustion engine has been obsolete for over 50 years, but because of the oil cartels and corrupt government regulation we, and the rest of the world, have been forced to use gasoline for over a hundred years.

Big business is primarily responsible for destroying the water we drink, the air we breathe and the food we eat. They've no care for the world they destroy, only for the money they make in the process.

How many oil spills can we endure?

Millions and millions of gallons of oil are now destroying the oceans in the many forms of life it supports. Among these is plankton, which supplies 60 to 90% of the earth's oxygen. It supports the entire marine ecosystem, which forms the basis of our planet's food supply. But the plankton is dying!

I thought: Well, let's go to some remote state or country, anywhere on earth.

But in doing a little research, I've realised that these people broker our toxic waste all over the world. They basically control our legislation and, in fact, they control the law.

The law says no company can be fined over 25 thousand dollars a day. For companies making 10 millions dollars a day by dumping lethal toxic waste into the ocean, it's only good business to continue doing this.

They influence the media so they can control our minds. They've made it a crime to speak out for ourselves and if we do so we're called conspiracy nuts and we're laughed at. We're angry because we're all being chemically and genetically damaged and we don't even realise it. Unfortunately, this will affect our children.

We go to work each day and, right under our noses, we see our car and the car in front of us spewing noxious, poisonous gases that are all accumulative poisons. These poisons kill us slowly, even if we see no effect.

How many of us would have believed, if we were told 20 years ago that on a certain day we wouldn't be able to see 50 feet in front of us? That we wouldn't be able to take a deep breath because the air would be a mass of poisonous gases? That we wouldn't be able to drink out of our faucets? That we would have to buy water out of bottles?

The most common God's rights has been taken away from us, unfortunately the reality of our life is so gloomy nobody wants to hear it.

Now, I've been asked what we can do.

I think we need a responsible body of people that can actually represent us rather than big business. This body of people must not allow the introduction of anything into our environment that is not absolutely biodegradable or able to be chemically neutralized upon production.

And finally, as long as there is to be made from the polluting of our earth, companies and individuals will continue to do what they want.

We have to force these companies to operate safely and responsibly, with all our best interests in mind so that when they don't, we can take back our resources and in our hearts and our minds do what's right."