

More scientists decry global warming

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The Senate Minority Committee of the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works issued an updated report on December 11, 2008, entitled More Than 650 International Scientists Dissent Over Man-Made Global Warming Claims; Scientists Continue to Debunk “Consensus” in 2008.

This is an extensive report, 231 pages long, that details what each of the 650 scientists had to say regarding global warming, and is an updated version of one issued in 2007 that included 400 scientists.

Senator James Inhofe, a long-time critic of global warming, serves on the Senate Minority Committee.

The introduction to the report states, “Over 650 dissenting scientists from around the globe challenged man-made global warming claims made by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and former Vice President Al Gore.” It pointed out that there was a growing body of evidence that indicated that global warming fears were not being realized and that there were more and more scientists who not only were skeptical of man-made global warming, but clearly rejected the notion that there was “consensus” or that the issue was “settled,” as Al Gore claims.

Dr. William Briggs, a climate statistician, was quoted in the report saying that his colleagues told “absolute horror stories of what happened to them when they tried getting papers published that explored ‘non-consensus’ views.” The report refers to a July 2007 Senate report that “details how skeptical scientists have faced threats and intimidation.”

Dr. Joann Simpson, an atmospheric scientist said, “Since I am no longer affiliated with any organization nor receiving funding, I can speak quite frankly... As a scientist I remain skeptical... The main basis of the claim that man’s release of greenhouse gases is the cause of the warming is based almost entirely upon climate models. We all know the frailty of models concerning the air-surface system.”

Japanese environmental physical chemist Dr. Kiminori Itoh said that warming fears were the “worst scientific scandal in the history... When people come to know what the truth is, they will feel deceived by science and scientists.”

Chemical engineer and former Greenpeace member Dr. Jarl R. Ahlbeck, said, “so far, real measurements give no ground for concern about catastrophic future warming.”

Regarding the fact that global warming proponents say that there are few skeptics, Stanly B. Goldenberg, an atmospheric scientist with the NOAA’s Hurricane Research Division said that, “It is a blatant lie put forth in the media that makes it seem there is only a fringe of scientists who don’t buy into anthropogenic (man-made) global warming.”

Regarding the suppression of evidence that debunks global warming, Russian researcher and geographer Andrei Kapitsa said, “A large number of critical documents submitted at the 1995 U.N. conference in Madrid vanished without a trace. As a result, the discussion was one-sided and heavily biased, and the United Nations declared global warming to be a scientific fact.”

James A. Peden, an atmospheric physicist, said, “Many (scientists) are now searching for a way to back out quietly (from promoting warming fears) without having their professional careers ruined.”

Dr. Takeda Kunihiko, the vice-chancellor of the Institute of Science and Technology Research at the Chubu University in Japan, said that “CO2 emissions make absolutely no difference one way or another... Every scientist knows this, but it doesn’t pay to say so...Global warming, as a political vehicle, keeps Europeans in the driver’s seat and developing nations walking barefoot.”

Dr. Richard Keen, a climatologist with The University of Colorado’s Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences said the “earth has cooled since 1998 in defiance of the predictions by the UN-IPCC...The global temperature for 2007 was the coldest in a decade and the coldest of the millennium...which is why “global warming” is now called “climate change”.

The tragedy of the global warming scam is that it is driving us to change our way of life in a costly way for no good reason. Though some new and useful technologies may be developed because of it (and probably would have been anyway), it is forcing our cities, our states and our nation into an unsustainable spending pattern that will eventually lead us into more of the same economic instability that we are experiencing now, the result of another liberal social experiment, affordable housing.

Hopefully, the United Nations, global warming and Al Gore will soon be accepted as the frauds they are before they bring us complete ruin. We owe Senator Inhofe a debt of gratitude for remaining vigilant on this issue.

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