

Scientists keep ignoring the truth about global warming

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Despite the evidence that the Earth has not been warming since 1998, the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has intensified its war on global warming.

In a recent New York Times article, Thomas F. Stocker, a co-chairman of the IPCC said, “Climate change is the greatest challenge of our time. In short, it threatens our planet, our only home... Human influence has been detected in warming of the atmosphere and the ocean, in changes in the global water cycle, in reductions in snow and ice, in global mean sea level rise, and in changes in some climate extremes... It is extremely likely that human influence has been the dominant cause of the observed warming since the mid-20th Century.”

The article reported from Stockholm that “The world’s top climate scientists on Friday formally embraced an upper limit on greenhouse gases for the first time, establishing a target level at which humanity must stop spewing them into the atmosphere or face irreversible and potentially catastrophic climatic changes. They warned that the target is likely to be exceeded in a matter of decades unless steps are taken soon to reduce emissions.”

It also reported that the Obama administration is “moving toward rules that would essentially require utilities to develop the technology (to capture and store carbon dioxide) if they want to keep burning coal to produce electricity...”

This is part of the President’s Climate Action Plan released in June of this year that I wrote about several weeks ago.

According the Heartland Institute, surveys taken in 1996, 2003, and 2007 indicate that there is no real consensus among scientists that global warming is man-made.

In an article on the Heartland Institute’s website (Global Warming: Not a Crisis), it states, “While the global climate warmed slightly during the 1980s and 1990s, it has not warmed at all since 2000, and there is some evidence that a cooling trend has begun (Taylor, 2007). This contradicts the predictions of the IPCC and poses a challenge to the theory that CO2 concentrations play a major role in global temperature trends. It confirms the views of many

less-politicized climate scientists who acknowledge that the global climate is always warming or cooling (Michaels, 2005; Christy, 2006).”

In the same article, it is pointed out that despite alarmist’s predictions of more flooding, violent weather and famines, there is no evidence that these events are more frequent or severe. Alarmists predicted years ago that sea levels would rise but the scientific data suggests that this is highly unlikely. And as much as they tout the necessity for “greening” of the earth, the alarmists ignore the beneficial effects of additional CO2 in the atmosphere. “Higher levels of CO2 have a well-documented fertilizing effect on plants and make them more drought-resistant.”

Dealing with a problem of this magnitude, especially one that doesn’t exist, is extremely expensive and detrimental to our economy. It was stated in the article, “An analysis of a carbon ‘cap-and-trade’ proposal considered by the U.S. Senate in 2008 – the Lieberman-Warner Act – found it would destroy between 1.2 and 1.8 million jobs in 2020 and between 3 and 4 million jobs in 2030; impose a financial cost on U.S. households of \$739 and \$2,927 per year by 2020, rising to \$4,022 to \$6,752 by 2030; and would increase the price of gasoline between 60 percent and 144 percent by 2030 and the price of electricity by 77 percent to 129 percent.”

All of this despite admissions by climate scientists that no warming has occurred since 1998.

As I write this article, desperate efforts are being made to defund Obamacare, as it threatens our economy and raises the cost of our health insurance and health care. Our national debt is approaching \$17 trillion, and the policies of the Federal Reserve point to an inflationary trend. Other bills that threaten to “fundamentally transform” America are waiting in the wings for Obamacare’s full implementation: the immigration bill and the President’s Climate Action Plan.

Man-made climate change is a useful tool to redistribute wealth, to rob us of our freedoms and to distract us from real issues and real answers to real problems. When are we going to demand real science to prevail instead of accepting junk science dishonestly fed to us for political purposes?

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