

Don't push the global warming myth to advance goals

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This past week an open letter to Donald Trump was signed by over 250 architects, landscape architects and other consultants that focused on “three specific actions addressing climate change, a clean and competitive U.S. economy using renewable energy, and standing up against special interest money in politics.”

According to a report posted on [archpaper.com](#), one of the signers of the letter stated, “The President-elect has pledged to create jobs in urban and rural communities. We believe the best way to achieve this is to take decisive action on climate change by investing in a low-carbon U.S. economy because it is a win-win for businesses, people, and the environment alike...The consensus about needed action on climate change among design industry professionals is overwhelming, and the general public supports such actions with significant majorities across party lines as well.”

Their statement in the letter is too lengthy to include in this article, so I would encourage you to go online to read it in its entirety and to look at the names and locations of those who signed it. It is immediately noticeable that the majority were from Chicago, east coast cities and west coast cities, all of which were cities that did not vote for President Trump.

Back in 2013, I wrote a series of articles on Obama's attempt to push the man-made climate agenda with his The President's Climate Action Plan (TPCAP). This was his attack on the carbon fuels industry, in particular coal.

Since that time we have seen his attack on coal and oil come to fruition, and in a large way this is one of the reasons that Trump won the presidency. Both industries have suffered terrible losses over the past few years, and their losses have rippled throughout our economy, and for no good reason.

This is what I wrote in one of those 2013 articles:

“Obama states that for the economic vitality of the nation, we must lead the sustainability movement (defined according to progressive philosophy) through our ‘national treasure – our forests and waterways, our croplands and snow-capped peaks.’ The implication here is that these assets belong to the country, not to individuals. Look for future regulations that further erode property rights for the benefit of the world, and look at the next statement, ‘that is how we will preserve our planet.’ This is made out to be an edict of God, as he says that we must do so because it is ‘commanded to our care by God’ that is hardly what God meant when he told Adam to ‘subdue’ or ‘govern’ the earth.”

President Trump's first few days in office is addressing something that needs to be aggressively pursued – dishonesty in the mainstream press and in government.

For instance, here's something that has been totally ignored since 2009. At that time, Chelsea Schilling posted an article on World Net Daily entitled "History of Climate Gets 'Erased' Online." She wrote, "A new report reveals a British scientist and Wikipedia administrator rewrote climate history, editing more than 5,000 unique articles in the online encyclopedia to cover traces of a medieval warming period – something Climategate scientists saw as a major roadblock in the effort to spread the global warming message. Recently hacked e-mails from the University of East Anglia's Climate Research Unit expose a plot to eliminate the Medieval Warm Period, a 400-year era that began around A.D. 1000, the *Financial Post's* Lawrence Solomon reports."

Well, it wasn't totally ignored – it was about that time the proponents of man-made global warming began using the phrase "climate change."

Several years ago I also wrote a series of articles debunking the myth of man-made global warming. The majority of the responses that I received from architects either agreed with me or agreed that there wasn't enough evidence to prove it as a fact.

Here's the irony of the letter to Donald Trump – you don't have to promote a myth to convince people to be responsible with the environment. I dare say that few architects in the United States want dirty air and dirty water. Few of us would disagree that changes in climate are real and can have an impact on our wellbeing. But the evidence that mankind can manage the climate simply doesn't exist beyond political and financial influences. In fact, many scientists would agree that global warming would actually save lives and promote prosperity.

So to my colleagues who signed this letter I would say this – you don't have to promote a myth to accomplish many of your stated goals.



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