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What should have been an objective evaluation of climatological data, and a respectful scientific dialogue on whether or not human emission of CO₂ and other “greenhouse gases” is causing global warming or climate change, has unfortunately degenerated into a partisan, political diatribe. While right wing reactionaries like Beck, Limbaugh, and most of the current crop of Republican Presidential candidates, are partly responsible for that degeneration, some of the blame is shared by environmental lobbyists, progressive Democrats, the Gore-Hansen-IPCC clique of fear mongers, and liberal journalists.

The latest partisan assault was the column by Charles Hanley (SDN 10/22/11). He interviewed only those scientists who support the Anthropogenic Global Warming theory with not a word, of course, from scientists like myself who disagree with it. Instead, we are denigrated as “denialists” and “naysayers”. Hanley carefully regurgitates a limited amount of data: “talking points” that have been carefully “cherry picked”. All the while, he completely ignores the totality of the data. The fear mongering sea level “projections” he cites are directly contradicted by the available data and the world’s sea level experts, who he never bothered to interview.

For the opinions of other scientists, go to the book “Slaying the Sky Dragon – Death of the Greenhouse Gas Theory” co-authored by myself and several others, and published by Stairway Press earlier this year. Or, listen to the opinions of the distinguished scientists appearing on the CD entitled “The Great Global Warming Swindle”.

But don’t take my word for it or even the words of the other scientists just cited. Look for yourself at the totality of the data at www.climate4you.com . Judge for yourself. The data shown there for average temperatures, ice area coverage, snow area coverage, and sea level rise for the last several decades show nothing dramatic – just the normal variability in those climatological parameters. The estimated increase in average global land surface temperature of only 0.5-0.6 C over the last hundred years has been matched or exceeded many times in the past, and long before the appearance of any significant human emission of CO₂. The world wide Medieval Warm Period, abundantly documented in the scientific literature, was much warmer than today. The small temperature increase over the last century is merely a reflection of the Earth’s slow recovery from the equally well-documented Little Ice Age that ended in the 1800’s.

The temperature data show absolutely no causal correlation with variations in atmospheric CO₂ concentration or with the recent but trivial human contribution that concentration. On the other hand, temperature fluctuations during the last hundred years and even earlier, do correlate with solar activity just as the Little Ice Age correlated precisely with the Maunder Minimum in solar activity.

Those are but a few of the “inconvenient truths” that should have been uncovered by any scientifically literate journalist exercising his responsibility for due diligence. There is a lot more evidence that clearly shows that the theory that human emission of CO₂ is causing global warming or climate change, is false. The IPCC and its associates engaged in a purposeful attempt to obliterate from human history both the Medieval Warm Period and the Little Ice Age. Those periods were a great embarrassment to their theory. After all the evidence is finally in, that theory, the efforts to justify it, and the draconian measures being implemented on its basis, will probably turn out to be one of the greatest frauds in the history of science and technology.

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