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Climategate: University to release all its data



The University of East Anglia, Norwich, England, agreed to open its files on climate data following the leak of many embarrassing e-mails and other exchanges that show a plot to "hide the decline" in global temperatures.

"In a statement welcomed by climate change skeptics, the university said it would make all the data accessible as soon as possible, once its Climatic Research Unit (CRU) had negotiated its release from a range of non-publication agreements," the London Telegraph reported.

This is a reversal from the university's battle against Freedom of Information requests by global warming skeptic David Holland, which the Telegraph described as "a grandfather with a training in electrical engineering dating back more than 40 years."

Holland told the newspaper: "These guys called climate scientists have not done any more physics or chemistry than I did. A lifetime in engineering gives you a very good antenna. It also cures people of any self belief they cannot be wrong. You clear up a lot of messes during a lifetime in engineering. I could be wrong on global warming — I know that — but the guys on the other side don't believe they can ever be wrong."

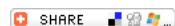
Army of Davids? Nope, this time it is an Army of David.

But he is not alone. Many others have. The e-mails targeted Pat Michaels of the Cato Institute, who told the newspaper after this disclosure of evidence tampering: "There were a lot of people who thought I was exaggerating when I kept insisting terrible things are going on here. This is business as usual for them. The world might be surprised but I am not. These guys have an attitude."

University of East Anglia officials — including its CRU chief Phil Jones — are now saying their tampered evidence is of little consequence.

Jones told the newspaper: "Our global temperature series tallies with those of other, completely independent, groups of scientists working for NASA and the National Climate Data Centre in the United States, among others. Even if you were to ignore our findings, theirs show the same results. The facts speak for themselves; there is no need for anyone to manipulate them."

So why did they manipulate the data? I am still waiting for NASA to release its computer model so I can run it on my old Commodore 64.



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31 RESPONSES TO "CLIMATEGATE: UNIVERSITY TO RELEASE ALL ITS DATA"

1. *NucEngineer* says:
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An easy explanation of what ClimateGate means,

ClimateGate emails and computer programs were taken from a main server at the Climate Research Unit of the University of East Anglia. It is not known if this was a theft or the actions of a whistleblower, disgusted with what the lead scientists at CRU were doing.

ClimateGate exposed the cabal of 20 – 30 scientists that peer reviewed each others papers, strong-armed scientific journals to only print their views, and then sat on the IPCC panels as authors judging which published studies go into the IPCC final reports. This is why they always keep shouting "peer reviewed studies, peer reviewed studies, peer reviewed studies". They owned the peer review process.

ClimateGate exposed that this small group has been adding positive corrections to the raw global temperature data, inflating the amount of published temperature rise over the last 50 years. Both CRU in the UK and NASA-GISS in the US add these biases. At CRU, the programmers did not even know what and why some corrections were added every month. Only since satellite monitoring for comparison have the amounts of biasing leveled off.

ClimateGate exposed the leaders of this cabal instructing each other to delete emails, data files, and data analysis programs ahead of already filed Freedom Of Information Act requests for raw data and computer codes, clearly a crime.

ClimateGate exposed the "trick" about the Hockey stick figure and other studies that performed proxy construction of past temperatures. After all, reconstruction of the last 1,000 years of climate is the first step in predicting the future with super computer programs as explained below:

Everything about all 21 super computer programs used by the IPCC to determine future global warming rely on best-determined past sensitivities to solar and volcanic effects (climate forcings) from the proxy temperature record.

1. The elimination of the Medieval Warm Period and the Little Ice Age (the handle of the hockey stick) was necessary so that past solar effects could be minimized, thereby allowing almost all of the warming in the last 75 years to be blamed on Greenhouse Gasses. Raw data (like tree-ring thickness, radioisotope of mud layers in a lake bottom, ice core analyses, etc.) are used as a proxy for reconstruction of the temperature record for 1000 AD to 1960 AD. To ensure desired results, statistical manipulation of the raw data and selecting only supporting data, cherry-picking, was suspected and later proved.

2. The slope of long-term 10-year running average global temperature using thermometers from 1900 to present (the blade of the hockey stick) was maximized with the sloppy gridding code, Urban Heat Island effects, hiding the declines, and even fabricating data (documented in the leaked source code comments revealed with ClimateGate) ensured that the Greenhouse Gas effect coefficient in all 21 of the super computers is maximized. (This maximizes the temperature result at year 2100 based on Greenhouse Gas increases.) This thermometer data was used to replace the tree ring-divergence after 1960 and plot this over the climate history data of (1) above giving the false impression that the reconstructed 1000 AD to 1960 AD results are more accurate than they are.

3. Because tuning of the super computer programs uses back casting, the computer outputs could always replicate the 20th Century (by design); therefore it was assumed that the models had almost everything in them. Because of (1) and (2) above, nearly all climate change predicted by the models was due to CO2 and positive feedbacks.

4. Over the years, when better numbers for volcanic effects, black carbon, aerosols, land use, ocean and atmospheric multi-decadal cycles, etc. became available, it appears that CRU made revisions to refit the back cast, but could hardly understand what the code was doing due to previous correction factor fudging and outright fabricating, as documented in the released code as part of ClimateGate.

5. After the IPCC averages the 21 super computer outputs of future projected warming (anywhere from 2-degrees to 7-degrees, not very precise), that output is used to predict all manner of catastrophes. (Fires, floods, droughts, blizzards, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, insects, extinctions, diseases, civil wars, cats & dogs sleeping together, etc.)

Shut-up or be called a denier, live the way we tell you to live, pay more for everything, and just send money.

I hope that this makes the ClimateGate controversy easier to understand.

2. *Tim McCoy* says:
November 28, 2009 at 7:19 PM

Big deal-getting bigger.Hadley said just this summer that"The Dog ate the Data."
Looks like the dog just regurgitated...
I would sell my green stocks short-now...

3. *joated* says:
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A large part of the scientific method is providing your data and methods so your hypothesis may be tested by other scientists. The folks at the CRU ignored that step at their peril as they worked the system for millions in grant money. They've been caught cherry picking data and fudging the numbers. Is it any wonder there's an army