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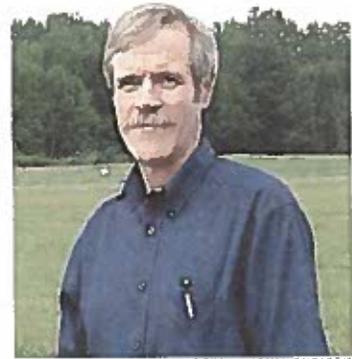
To: Legislative, Civic, and Business Leaders
From: Joseph L. Bast, President

Re: Global Warming: A Real Scientist, Real Data

A nonprofit organization devoted to discovering, developing, and promoting free-market solutions to social and economic problems.

On February 2, a real scientist presented real data about global warming at a hearing called by the U.S. House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. The scientist's testimony, unedited, is attached. Some of his findings include:

- Since 1975, Earth has warmed at the rate of less than one-tenth of one degree Celsius per decade, much less than global climate models predicted it would.
- "Our basic knowledge about what the climate is doing (i.e., measurements) is plagued by uncertainties."
- "Regulations already enforced or being proposed, such as those from the Paris Agreement, will have virtually no impact on whatever the climate is going to do."



Dr. John R. Christy is distinguished professor of atmospheric science at The University of Alabama in Huntsville.

The scientist who presented this testimony is not "on the fringe," is not funded by the fossil fuel industry, and is not long-retired. He's *Dr. John R. Christy*, distinguished professor of atmospheric science and director of the Earth System Science Center at The University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Dr. Christy has served as a lead author, contributing author, and reviewer of the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) assessments, has received NASA's Medal for Exceptional Scientific Achievement, and is an elected fellow of the American Meteorological Society.

Dr. Christy's testimony includes an extract from earlier testimony he presented to a U.S. Senate Committee revealing how "extreme weather events" have not become worse over time, and in fact have become less frequent or severe. The graphs he uses to make these points are really outstanding.

I hope you can devote a few minutes to reading Dr. Christy's testimony, and then share it with people you know who might be following the global warming debate.

More information on this subject can be found on The Heartland Institute's website at www.heartland.org. If you have ideas on how we can work together on this important issue, please contact Veronica Harrison at vharrison@heartland.org or 312/377-4000.

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