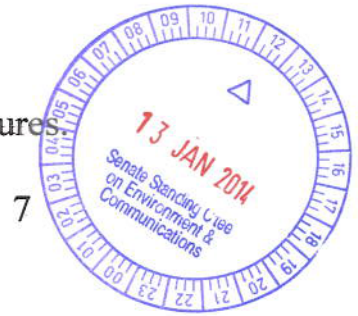


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The Relationship Between Carbon Dioxide (“Carbon”) and Global Temperatures.

Since time began there have been variations in the world’ climate, oscillating between the Ice Ages and Warm Periods.

According to the paleontologists and paleoclimatologists, people who study climate over the long term, not just relying on records going back a few hundred years, there have been as many as eleven ice ages in the last 100 million years,

Between each of these Ice Ages is a Warm Period, so that a cycle of Cold, Warm, Cold, Warm repeats and will keep repeating. Some changes have been rapid and severe, with suspected rises of fifteen degrees in a ten year period.

Burning of fuels is not the only source of Carbon Dioxide, certain rocks will release CO₂ when they breakdown.

Temperature and CO₂ variations may be caused by many factors, among others, changes and variations in the earths orbit, changes in sea currents, continental drift, Variations in sunspot activity, volcanic eruptions, and other factors, some probably not yet discovered.

It is self evident that although humans were around at the time of the last ice age, their numbers were too small and their activities too insignificant to have any real effect. In fact they probably lived when the world had started to warm.

It is worth noting that the earth has had long periods that were free of ice sheets , where the seas were much higher and where the higher latitudes were a lot warmer

There is a relationship between Carbon Dioxide levels and temperate. I believe it to be this,

Paleontologists have found that there is an interval of almost exactly 800 years between the peak in temperature and the peak in CO₂ levels.

It is a fact, that one event happening 800 years before another can cause the second event, but there is no way that the second event can cause the first event, although, to be fair, there is a remote possibility that there could be a common cause.

Since the temperature peaks first this peak cannot be caused by the carbon peak.
Obviously the common belief that CO2 causes Warming is a Nonsense!

Cleaning up discharges of “nasty “ chemicals from smoke exhaust fumes, some industrial processes and such, is beneficial.

However, money spent reducing CO2 emissions is a scandalous waste of public and private money.

In fact since plants rely on CO2 for growth, a higher level of CO2 will help feed the ever expanding population of our world.

In this debate it must always be remembered that, as King Canute demonstrated,

The Laws of Nature are not subject to Legislative Fiat

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