

Climate Follies Encore

The curtain has fallen, but do to demand, the players will present a final bit of show. I must begin by thanking Dr Judith Curry for opening the long avoided climate debate. On Tuesday, Jan 25, 2011 she stated on her blog that she wanted to refute the science text, "Slaying the Sky Dragon", but didn't understand it.

The repressed college professor in me demanded that I explain any difficulties on this subject. The invited CC list on the resulting email thread was a who's who of climate science, mostly of the Luke Warmist and Deniers camps. Three days of staid homilies were exchanged until finally the crux of the problem was identified. Anyone who is NOT a denier just does not understand basic Physics.

Thermodynamics is the biggest problem. When you get the 'thermal mass' issue then you realize that the Warmists are expecting you to believe that a 3 cubic mile 'tail' (which is carbon dioxide) is wagging a 259 trillion cubic mile 'dog' (which is the Earth). I explained this in an article emailed to the players titled "OMG...Maximum CO2 Will Warm Earth for 20 Milliseconds". This brought some interesting replies.

The most interesting involved the Holy Grail of Warmist worship, the phantom 'back-radiation' force. As the previous "20 Milliseconds" explains there are Warmists, Luke Warmists and Deniers. This phantom is the defining element of this fable and refuses to fit into classical Physics. The following is the actual exchange, playing the part of the English Lord will be Lord Monckton. The Luke Warmist chorus is played by the who's who on the CC list and the Slayer is played by your narrator and co-author of "Slaying the Sky Dragon".

Lord: "Back radiation can be simply demonstrated by pointing a simple infra-red detector at the underside of a cloud. Try it."

Chorus: "My IR detector only cost \$60! Simple ! Agreed ! Agree !"

Slayer: "Clouds do not absorb and re-radiate heat back to Earth. Clouds add THERMAL MASS which takes longer to heat and cool. Warmists 'support' this false hypothesis with IR thermometer readings, but the IR readings of a hot Barbie is the same from any distance, ENERGY is not. Your \$60 REMOTE thermometer is not measuring the radiant energy you are receiving, it is measuring the resonance of the Barbie."

We know that this was the final act of the follies for there has been no reply in 36 hours from the Lord or the Luke Chorus. This email thread was sent to dozens of other prominent scientists who have confirmed that at last, we are discussing the correct science parameters. Actual values of CO2 mass or micro-seconds variations in lapse time for individual molecules slowing IR transmission to space are unimportant. Even orders of magnitude variations are meaningless in this actual instance.

The New 21st Century Science Paradigm

Part of the problem in solving this riddle is that the Universe is so complex and so orderly. This required a working knowledge of Astronomy, Geology, Chemistry, Physics, Thermodynamics and most importantly, the traditional English Scientific Method. As a footnote I would like to add some comments on the role of life in the Carbon Cycle.

One of the Warmist abatement methods involved planting trees to 'absorb' and capture carbon in the air. All life forms are carbon based, with the exception of some Archaea. As such, all life depends on carbon. Atmospheric carbon is absorbed by the ocean and by plants, which are then eaten or die and decay to become terrestrial carbon again.

Fossil fuel use is harvesting stored molecular energy released by combustion. The products of combustion are heat, water vapor and carbon dioxide. Green Energy is as big a distortion as Global Warming. No bio-fuel, solar cell or wind generator is capable of producing the energy required for manufacture and installation. There is just no 'net' gain with these feel good alternatives. We have just the established hydrocarbon, hydro-electric and nuclear options to serve our future.

And in that future we will require something else, honest science, honest government and honest media. The twentieth century saw stealth monopolists subvert science, government and media. One of the first things they expunged from science was the moral component, which quickly led to the other abuses of that bloody century.

Epistemology is an unrecognized word and concept in the modern world, but it was a cornerstone of classical education. Isaac Newton was obsessed with it. Einstein was ever mindful of his comprehensive study and regretted its passing from use. Epistemology is the combining of Science and Philosophy so that every newly discovered marvel would be for the benefit of man and of life on this planet.

As we construct the new science for our still young century we must re-establish the link between Science and the good of all. We have witness the hijacking of Science to be a weapon of the monopolists to first rob, then control and ultimately selectively destroy life on this planet for their twisted visions. As technical capabilities increase so will the risks of future robber barons enacting similar plans. It is up to the new science, the new government and the new media to prevent this hostile take-over.

Some Dreams Can Only Be Watered With Fresh Tears

In the course of this struggle for truth, there have been many great friends. There are too many to name, from distant lands I may never see. In a lifetime of discovery on a cold cruel planet, I have been wounded by many, and in turn, I have injured some too. One can wish that those things had not happened, but understanding both sides of pain can compel compassion. If compassion is shared we may all be able to reduce this life's pain.

My dreams to share in a just and wise world have included some recent breeches of trust by some, which have been very painful to many. Humanity's dreams of that better world are rapidly approaching. There will be many epiphanies, confession and absolutions that will all be good for our collective soul. As we grow in understanding of our planet and ourselves we will awaken from the nightmare of the elites and our own personal demons. We have a beautiful world to rescue.

This time we will water the world with tears of JOY.

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