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Guest Commentary

WWII proves that man-made climate change isn't true

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eterans of WWII helped to prove that anthropogenic (man-made) climate change is not true. The man-made climate change hypothesis is advocated by the United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and it's in two steps: "Increasing fossil fuel causes increasing carbon dioxide in the air; and increasing carbon dioxide in the air causes climate change." This is the IPCC's not-so-subtle way of making oil the scapegoat for global warming. Oil, natural gas and coal are called "fossil fuel" by the IPCC.

Our problem is that President Obama adopted the IPCC's climate change hypothesis as his climate policy, which raises the question, should United Nation's theories that affect U.S. national resources be adopted as U.S. policies?

How did WWII veterans prove the IPCC hypothesis wrong? They expended massive amounts of fuel — for air, land and sea — during the war, so much so, that it was said that the Allies floated to victory on a sea of oil. U.S. oil production increased by three billion barrels annually during the war.

WWII veterans certainly



increased the use of fossil fuel during the war. That cannot and should not be questioned or denied. However, if the IPCC hypothesis holds true, this huge increase in the use of fossil fuel would have caused a corresponding increase in carbon dioxide in the air. Did it? The answer is, "No."

The most reliable scientific data available was compiled by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), which indicates the carbon dioxide in the air during WWII essentially "flatlined," with no increase during the entire decade from 1940 to 1950. The carbon dioxide level in the air in 1941 was 311 parts per million



(ppm). The wobble was only down to 310.2 ppm, only 0.8 ppm less than the amount in 1941 (see http:// data.giss.nasa.gov/modelforce/ ghgases/Fig1A.ext.txt).

This government scientific evidence that the climate change hypothesis, which starts with: "Increasing fossil fuel causes increasing carbon dioxide in the air," is simply not true. Increasing fossil fuel did NOT cause increasing carbon dioxide in the air. Obama's climate policy, which adopted the IPCC hypothesis, should be dead.

Obama's energy policy is closely related to his climate policy. Obama's energy policy is to try to replace oil with biofuel and there are a number of reasons why that is not working. Using ethanol emits more carbon dioxide into the air than using gasoline; therefore, using ethanol conflicts with a climate policy which tries to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Also, ethanol production plateaued in 2011 at 6% of total oil demand and can never get much above that percentage.

But the big problem with current climate and energy policies is that they make permanent our dependence on foreign oil imports - a threat to national security. It is also a jobs and economy issue. We sent \$236 billion to foreign nations for their foreign oil imports in 2014, the most recent data available, of which total oil demand was 46%. Before the 1973 Arab Oil Embargo, foreign oil imports were 19% of total oil demand. A second foreign oil embargo could stop transportation and bring the United States to its knees. That is a serious threat to national security.

In summary, our national security, our economy and our jobs depend upon totally eliminating the current administration's climate policy and energy policy. WWII provided evidence as to why these current policies should be eliminated.