UN's Global Warming Report Highly Misleading

by Deborah Vondrak (NAPSA)—Chances are you've never heard of John Christy.

That's somewhat amazing, because Christy, a director of the



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mental Panel on Climate Change.

That's the report that grabbed prime-time publicity earlier this year with its cataclysmic predictions of melting polar icecaps, malaria epidemics, midwestern droughts, submerged islands and flooded coast lines from Maine to Florida.

A UN platoon of doomsayers made the rounds of the nation's high-profile media. They issued dire warnings about the horrible consequences that global warming will wreak if the United States doesn't sign the Kyoto Protocol and agree to huge cutbacks in its energy use. Christy was conspicuously absent from the UN's propaganda blitz.

"There were 245 different results in that report, and this was the

worst-case scenario," he notes. "It's the one that's not going to happen. It was the extreme case of all the different things that can make the world warm."

Christy, 49, says most longrange forecasts are misleading and, in many cases, downright wrong. Christy points out that today's most advanced computer models don't even portray current weather in an accurate manner. They get progressively more inaccurate when they try to project next week, next month, next year—let alone the next decade or the next century.

The weather tests Christy runs with polar-orbiting satellites for NASA are far more accurate than the ones the UN panel uses. So why is the United Nations investing so much effort and money to tout the totally unrealistic worst-case scenario? The answer is simply money.

The Kyoto Protocol calls for a vast transfer of wealth from the United States, Europe and Japan to emerging nations such as China and India as well as the poorer nations of Latin America and Africa. Americans, on average, would sacrifice thousands of dollars annually as the nation's economy slowed to a halt.

In mid-1997, the U.S. Senate took a look at Kyoto's numbers and voted 95 to 0 in favor of a resolution urging rejection of the treaty.

As a result, the Clinton Administration never sent the treaty to the Senate for ratification, but initiated a sweeping program to try and implement much of it by regulation and executive order.

Most of those "midnight regulations" have been scrapped by the Bush Administration. Hence the only chance for the UN to superimpose its voodoo science requirements on the U.S. is to mount a last-ditch effort to panic the American public.

A UN report last fall warned that global warming would send temperatures soaring more than six degrees by the end of this century. That report produced a public yawn, so now the same "scientists" have increased the prediction to more than 10 degrees.

If that doesn't produce the desired stampede, one wonders how far are they prepared to go? Twenty degrees, thirty, perhaps forty? Stay tuned. The earth may not be getting warmer, but the UN propaganda is just starting to heat up.

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