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Letter to the Editor Climate Alarmist Caught Out



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Professor David Karoly has long been the media's favourite hit man against climate sceptics. Any time a sceptic gets some air-time, you can expect to see Karoly pop up to counter the points raised—but now he is embarrassed.

Of course, Karoly's rebuttals were never subjected to much critique—until now. For example, last year he told ABC TV that there were no scientific papers contradicting the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's conclusions (of which there are hundreds), and claimed on ABC radio that sceptical climate scientist Professor Stewart Franks did not publish in the peer-reviewed literature (which he has done dozens of times).

Both claims were demonstrably false, but they have been rendered even more obviously so by a recent paper (in the peer-reviewed literature) co-authored by Professor Franks, contradicting an IPCC claim that higher temperatures caused the Murray Darling basin drought in 2002. Franks' finding was that this claim got the science (and common sense) entirely backwards: lack of cooling rain causes higher temperatures, not the other way around.

This is very humorous, as both of Karoly's claims have been disproved in one paper—which would be embarrassing enough for him, even if you didn't look at the source of that IPCC claim: it was taken from a paper by Neville Nicholls, which was an extension of an earlier report written for the World Wildlife Fund, by ... David Karoly.

And how did such sloppy science get into the IPCC report? Well, the lead author for that particular chapter was a guy called Neville Nicholls, and the review editor, once again, was ... David Karoly.

It's all more evidence that the man-made global warming theory is itself just man-made hype. If elected on March 20, I will bring out the truth on such matters, rather than play politics and waste millions of taxpayer dollars on false climate threats, as the major parties are doing.

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