

Statement of Congressman Ron Paul

United States House of Representatives

Statement on Global Warming Petition Signed by 31,478 Scientists

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- Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, before voting on the "cap-and-trade" legislation, my colleagues should
- "We urge the United States government to reject the global warming agreement that was written in
- There is no convincing scientific evidence that human release of carbon dioxide, methane, or other
- Circulated through the www.petitionproject.org group of American physical scientists and supported
- The peer-reviewed summary, "Environmental Effects of Increased Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide" b
- Signers of this petition include 3,803 with specific training in atmospheric, earth, and environmental
- In a letter circulated with this petition, Frederick Seitz--past President of the U.S. National Academ
- "The United States is very close to adopting an international agreement that would ration the use
- This treaty is, in our opinion, based upon flawed ideas. Research data on climate change do not sh
- The proposed agreement we have very negative effects upon the technology of nations throughout

- It is especially important for America to hear from its citizens who have the training necessary to evaluate the science of global warming.
- We urge you to sign and return the enclosed petition card. If you would like more cards for use by your constituents, please contact the GPO at 202-512-2400.
- Madam Speaker, at a time when our nation is faced with a severe shortage of domestically produced energy, it is not surprising that many of our constituents are looking for solutions.
- Yet, we will soon be considering so-called "cap and trade" legislation that would increase the tax burden on our citizens and place a heavy burden on our economy.
- It is time that we look beyond those few who seek increased taxation and increased regulation and control of the American people. Our energy needs are a top priority for our citizens, and we must ensure that our energy policy is based on the interests of the American people.
- Above all, we must never forget our contract with the American people--the Constitution that provides for the right to produce and use energy.
- While it is evident that the human right to produce and use energy does not extend to activities that threaten the health and safety of our citizens, we must ensure that our energy policy is based on the interests of the American people.

In conclusion, I once again urge my colleagues to carefully consider the arguments made by the American people and to support legislation that will ensure our energy security and the health and safety of our citizens.