

Possible Interview Questions to Ask Dr. Coffman

1. Dr. Coffman, you led a multimillion dollar research program on global warming. What did you initially believe about what was causing global warming and how has your thinking changed over time?
2. Are we really having global warming?
3. In their 2007 Summary for Policy Makers, the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) claimed there was a ninety percent certainty that man was causing global warming. Are you saying that is incorrect? Why?
4. The IPCC claims there is a solid consensus among their 2000 scientists that the science is settled and that there are only a few skeptical scientists that disagree. Are you claiming that is incorrect?
5. Didn't Al Gore in his DVD *Inconvenient Truth* clearly show that increasing carbon dioxide over the past 650 thousand years causes the earth to warm? Are you saying it does not?
6. We have repeatedly been told that the warmest years in the past 100 years occurred in the 1900s and 2000s. Doesn't this prove there is global warming?
7. What is the heat island effect and what kind of error does it make the ground measured temperatures erroneous?
8. What other kinds of errors have been found that, when corrected, no longer show that man is causing global warming?
9. What is the Little Ice Age and Medieval Optimum, and how do they support the idea that the current warming is part of a natural cycle?
10. You claim that the United Nations IPCC is not a reliable source for information on global warming. Why?
11. Physicists have long known that there must be a signature or fingerprint for man-caused global warming. Can you explain what that fingerprint looks like and compare it to the actual fingerprint over the past 50 years?
 - a. Why didn't the IPCC take this into consideration in its 2007 evaluation?
12. Why is it unlikely that man-caused global warming cause more frequent and violent storms like tornados and hurricanes?
13. What about the polar bears and melting icecaps? Isn't global warming threatening the Polar bears and the melting icecaps threatening to raise ocean levels and flooding islands and coastal cities?
14. You claim that emerging science is showing the sun is playing a far greater role in global warming than previously thought. What role does the sun play in global warming?
15. Emerging science is also showing that ocean oscillations are also playing a greater role in global warming than previously recognized? Why?
16. Congress is considering sweeping legislation this summer called cap and trade. Can you explain what cap and trade is? Isn't it a safe precaution to do this just in case?

17. Who pays for cap and trade? Why is it a hidden tax?
18. How much is this cap and trade legislation going to cost the average American family?
19. Supporters of cap and trade claim that individuals and families will be given tax rebates to cover their increased cost of energy. Shouldn't this be a break-even proposition whereby families will get back the increased costs to them resulting from cap and trade?
20. Supporters of cap and trade say that millions of new green jobs will be added to the economy with the passage of this bill. Is this true?
21. What effect will cap and trade legislation have on the poor in Third World Nations?
22. Ultimately, what is the real danger of cap and trade legislation?