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As Climate Theories Implode, Obama & Co. Launch Witch Hunt

As global-warming theories [continue to implode](#) in the face of growing evidence that Earth might even be entering a cooling phase, the Obama administration appears to be doubling down on the alarmism. Vowing to “act on climate change” without Congress if necessary, the administration is also launching a full-blown witch hunt aimed at crushing so-called “climate deniers” — scientists and other skeptics, including lawmakers, who question largely debunked United Nations claims about humanity’s alleged impact on global warming.



From seeking to purge government employees who question the supposed “science” to viciously targeting lawmakers who express skepticism about UN climate dogma with extreme labels like “dangerous” and “radical,” the attacks are becoming increasingly fanatical and desperate. Obama’s political organizing machine, now known as “Organizing for Action,” meanwhile, is trying in vain to rally its foot soldiers to the cause.

In a [childish video](#) about Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.), for example, OFA branded the conservative-leaning senator a “dangerous” “radical” “climate denier” for standing with [thousands of respected scientists](#) in expressing doubts about the “science” behind global-warming hysteria. All across the country, coalitions of extremist pseudo-environmentalist groups have been [handing out](#) “climate denier awards” to lawmakers who refuse to bow down to the establishment’s pressure on global warming.

Within the executive branch, meanwhile, top administration officials are loudly denouncing the climate heretics while working to rout them out. Various media outlets, for instance, highlighted an August 1 agency-wide address to employees by Interior Secretary Sally Jewell that analysts said was aimed at silencing any debate on global-warming theories within the department. “I hope there are no climate-change deniers in the Department of Interior,” she [said](#), drawing furious criticism from real scientists and experts who pointed out that to stifle debate on a theory is the very essence of unscientific.

Separately, Secretary of State Kerry [confirmed](#) last week during a press conference in Brazil that Obama planned to bypass Congress in his efforts to adopt unconstitutional “climate” measures. “So the challenge is ahead of us, for all of us, and I know that the United States has a great commitment under President Obama to take our own initiatives, not even to wait for congressional action, but to move administratively in order to do our part,” he said, echoing numerous vows by Obama to ignore lawmakers if they refuse to submit. “I know we can continue to work with Brazil on this issue of climate, and we look forward to doing so.”

At the [embattled](#) Environmental Protection Agency, current EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy also made clear last week that the administration planned to move forward on “climate” — regardless of what Congress thinks about it. Speaking at the University of Colorado, McCarthy [praised](#) recent



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statements by Obama promising lawless and unconstitutional “executive actions” to deal with the supposed problem, calling the president’s comments “most remarkable.”

“Essentially, he said that it is time to act,” she explained. “And he said he wasn’t going to wait for Congress, but that he had administrative authorities and that it was time to start utilizing those more effectively and in a more concerted way.” McCarthy also vowed to “do this this year, next year, the following year, until people understand” that the dictatorial “climate” decrees are actually good for them.

Apparently, the impetus for what analysts have blasted as EPA’s “dictatorial action” on supposed global warming came straight from the top. In an [interview](#) with the *Washington Post*, McCarthy explained that when she first met with Obama to discuss running the EPA — itself created via unconstitutional “executive order” — the first words out of the president’s mouth dealt with having the agency focus on “climate.” “He sees this as a necessary part of his legacy,” she added, failing to mention that the supposed “science” behind UN global warming theories was crumbling in front of the world.

Despite the lack of any authority to do so, the EPA is already moving forward with its controversial and unconstitutional efforts to foist economy-destroying regulations on the American people under the guise of saving the “climate.” As *The New American* [reported](#) earlier this month, the [lawless agency](#) is going on a “regulatory binge” expected to shutter hundreds of coal-fired power plants. Such closures would inevitably lead to soaring energy costs and even potential brownouts and blackouts as the nation’s available energy supplies shrink.

The witch hunt against “deniers” has also spread into the scientific community, according to experts. Judith Curry, chair of the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at the Georgia Institute of Technology, recently [lashed out](#) at efforts by some scientists to stop the publication of science that does not go along with the agenda — a troubling trend that was exposed years ago amid the “[Climategate](#)” scandal. “There is the common theme of climate scientists compromising personal and professional ethics, integrity, and responsibility, all in the interests of a ‘cause,’” Curry complained, citing examples she was personally aware of.

Despite the renewed wave of ferocious alarmism and dictatorial threats from the Obama administration, however, Americans do not appear to be very concerned about the “climate” issue. A recent poll by the Pew Research Center, for example, [showed](#) that just two in five Americans consider supposed “global climate change” to be a major threat to the country — among the lowest on the list of concerns, and about at the same level as “political instability in Pakistan.” Other [polls](#) consistently show that Americans either reject global-warming theories outright, or at least do not consider “climate change” to be a serious issue.

When the pro-Obama astroturf group OFA tried to organize a “Climate Change Day of Action Rally” earlier this month, not a single person showed up, according to news reports, further illustrating the overwhelming lack of public support. The rally announcement was promptly taken down after nobody attended, but the damage to the alarmist cause was already done as critics ridiculed OFA and its ongoing fear-mongering campaign about supposed man-made climate change.

“It should surprise nobody — including the, ah, enthusiasts over at OfA, bless their hearts — that global warming doesn’t have nearly the same bite to it that the Left desperately wants it to,” [noted](#) Digital Press Secretary Andrew Clark with the National Republican Congressional Committee. “The polling is consistent: global warming — or climate change, or whatever the latest buzzword is/will be — is at the



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bottom of any list of things that people worry about, or prioritize.”

As *The New American* [reported](#) again yesterday, the supposed “science” underpinning the alarmist movement also continues to crumble in spectacular fashion. In addition to the fact that data gathered by even the most pro-alarmism government institutions like the U.K. Met Office [show there has been no global warming for over a decade and a half](#), other indicators continue to confirm that UN climate “models” are wildly inaccurate at best — and outright fraudulent at worst.

While the “climate science” [keeps imploding](#), however, efforts to foist a “global-warming” regime of high taxes and centralized government on humanity to “save” the environment are accelerating quickly. Republicans in Congress have done some mild complaining about the “war on coal” and other actions, yet the Obama administration, even with virtually no public support, is stepping up its lawless campaign to force America into submission. More than a few analysts have suggested that the alarmists are desperate to get the schemes in place before the whole scam comes undone. Whether public pressure will stop it remains to be seen.

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