

THE GREENGROCER TEST

INTRODUCTION

You are a working family with little time to spare, so you decide to have your groceries home delivered. A grocer is highly recommended by many of your friends, so you order your first delivery of fruit and vegetables.

To your surprise, you find that both the delivered fruit and vegetables are rotting – hardly fresh. You ring up and complain and the grocer apologises and tells you it won't happen again and promises to deliver fresh fruit and vegetables next time. The second delivery arrives and again the fruit and vegetables are rotten.

After the third delivery of rotten fruit and vegetables, the grocer comes around to your house to see for himself. Amongst the rotten vegetables the grocer pulls a small leaf from a rotting lettuce and says; "Look this leaf is fresh". He then picks up a knife and cuts into a rotting peach and points to a small area and says; "Look there is some fresh fruit".

As he cheerfully walks to the front door to go, he says; "I cross my heart and promise to you that I will always deliver you fresh fruit and vegetables".

How long do you keep believing the greengrocer?

PAST GREEN PROMISES

The modern Green Movement began in the 1950s. On average they have run a major campaign every decade. Here are just a few of the promises that their scientists made that were meant to come true in fifteen years.

- Continued use of industrial chemicals would cause all the birds to die (Rachel Carson)
- Continued use of industrial chemicals would cause a new form of cancer that would run out of control with people "dying like flies" and cause the longevity of the American adults to drop from the mid seventy years to the low forty years.
- "Over population" would cause mass starvation with billions dying. India would lose half its population. (Paul Ehrlich – The Population Bomb).
- All the minerals in the World would run out within fifteen years (The Club of Rome)
- Since the 1950, every decade we were told that peak oil had arrived, and we would run out of oil.
- The hole in the ozone layer would continue to expand causing five million deaths from skin cancer in Australia alone.
- 'Acid Rain' would kill every forest in the World.
- By the year 2000, an Ice Age would have engulfed us, and everyone would have a 70 metre high block of ice in the backyard – all caused by industrial pollution,

- Then in the early 1980s we were told we were not going to freeze to death, we are now going to “fry and die” by the year 2000.

Now we welcome you to the “Catastrophic Global Warming” campaign

GLOBAL WARMING PROMISES

Since the global warming campaign began forty years ago, there have been dozens if not hundreds of promises made by the Green scientists. Here are just a few of them;

- Australian scientists convinced the Federal, State and local governments that the east coast of Australia would be inundated by a six metre sea level rise by 2010. Councils then identified all properties at risk causing the market value of these properties to drop by hundreds of thousands of dollars.
- Professor Flannery told Sydneysiders that sea levels were rapidly rising now, and by the year 2050 eight story buildings would be under water. Right now, the water is meant to be up to the fourth story.
- Scientists told us that by the year 2000, islands like Tuvalu and the Maldives would be completely gone.
- The United Nations (UN) Environment Program (UNEP) promised we would have fifty million climate refugees by the year 2010.
- NASA scientist James Hansen, scientific advisor to Al Gore, told Americans in the 1980s that sea levels would rise a metre each decade and the Florida Keys would be under more than three metres of water today.
- The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promised us that global warming was causing sterility amongst polar bears and by the year 2020 there would no more polar bears. They then placed polar bears on their endangered species list.
- In Canada, their scientists promised that global warming would melt the permafrost releasing billions of tons of methane into the atmosphere. This in turn would cause “runaway global warming” which would kill four billion people by the year 2000.
- Meanwhile in the UK, James Lovelock, a scientist who was affectionately called the “Grandfather of Global Warming” by the Green Movement, told the World that by the year 2000 the human race would, in effect, be gone. “Only a few thousand breeding pairs would remain in the Arctic regions eking out an existence”.
- Meanwhile the UN’s “Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change” (IPCC), which monopolises the information about global warming provided to all the World governments, was making its own promises. Acknowledging that the 1970-2000 period was a natural multi-decade warming period, they made two predictions. First that rather than global temperatures rising by the natural amount of 0.3 degrees, by the year 2000 global temperatures would have risen by 3-5 degrees. On arriving at the year 2000, temperatures had only risen by 0.3 degrees. Their second promise was that global warming would

never stop while carbon dioxide concentrations in the atmosphere continued to rise. They did continue to rise and by Xmas eve 2012, all six Green organisations advising the IPCC admitted that global warming had stopped 17-23 years ago (“the hiatus”) and would not restart until the next multi-decade natural warming period started in about 2023-2028.

EPILOGUE

When the working family told all their friends about the poor performance of the greengrocer that they had recommended, they became very angry. They refused to discuss the problem, they shouted at them and called them “Deniers”. Not allowing the couple to speak, they told them that all the scientists and everyone else agreed that the greengrocer always supplied fresh fruit and vegetables.