



Sunset Caucus

## Waste Action Alert

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### **Eliminate Taxpayer Subsidies to the IPCC**

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**Program or Item Targeted:** Taxpayer subsidies to the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

**One-Year Cost of Program or Item:** \$13 million request in Fiscal Year 2012

**Background on Program or Item to Be Sunseted:** The United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) advises governments around the world on climate change, and supporters of cap-and-tax legislation have used questionable findings by the IPCC as reason to support onerous legislation. This bill would save taxpayers \$13million in Fiscal Year 2012 and millions more in the years to come by ending our financial contributions to the IPCC.

**Why This Program or Item Is Wasteful:** Criticism of this science intensified over the last two years when emails publicly released from a university in England showed that leading global scientists intentionally manipulated climate data and suppressed legitimate arguments in peer-reviewed journals. Researchers were asked to delete and destroy emails so that a small number of climate alarmists could continue to advance their environmental agenda. Since then, more than 700 acclaimed international scientists have challenged the claims made by the IPCC. These 700-plus dissenting scientists represent some of the most respected scientific institutions at home and around the world, including the U.S. Departments of Energy and Defense, the U.S. Air Force and Navy, NASA and the Environmental Protection Agency. American taxpayers are tired of never-ending government spending, and our constituents should not have to foot the bill for an organization that is fraught with waste and engaged in dubious science.

**MEMBER ACTION ITEM:** Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO) has sponsored H.R. 680, which would eliminate taxpayer subsidies to the IPCC. All RSC Members are encouraged to cosponsor H.R. 680 by contacting Chris Brown at [ChrisBrown@mail.house.gov](mailto:ChrisBrown@mail.house.gov) or 5-2956

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working to sunset programs that taxpayers shouldn't be paying for."*

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