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Subject: Re: Global warming

Posted by [warranto](#) on Tue, 26 Sep 2006 22:02:02 GMT

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Steppo wrote on Mon, 25 September 2006 20:31 Just so you guys know, there's more CO2 coming out of limestone and shale beneath your feet than ANYTHING that we could produce.

I think the idea is that limestone, shale, cows, etc. + (nothing else) = one "natural release" number, but

limestone, shale, cows, etc. + (everything else) = much greater "excessive release" number, which is related to everyone's concerns.

Yes, others things do it naturally, but that's just it... it's done naturally, and is a "normal" occurrence. Adding to that is what people are concerned about.

Example:

Simply to use random numbers for simplicity's sake, lets say the Earth can handle 100 units of CO2 before a "Global Warming" occurs.

Let's combine all the natural sources of CO2, and make it equal to 1 unit released per year. That means it will take 100 years for Global Warming to occur.

Let's now combine all the artificial sources of CO2 and make it equal to 1 unit. By themselves, it also means it will take 100 years for Global Warming to occur.

Not that big of a deal, right? One thing that's missing though:

Because both are occurring simultaneously, we need to add them together. 1 unit of natural + 1 unit of artificial = 2 units released every year. It now only takes 50 years instead of 100 for Global Warming to occur.

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