

Dear Sir Muir,

Further to my e-mail below, I now notice that, in the wake of the released CRU e-mails, the Head of the Meteorological Office organised a petition in December 2009 as follows:

"We, members of the UK science community, have the utmost confidence in the observational evidence for global warming and the scientific basis for concluding that it is due primarily to human activities.

The evidence and the science are deep and extensive. They come from decades of painstaking and meticulous research, by many thousands of scientists across the world who adhere to the highest levels of professional integrity."

Professor Boulton was a signatory to this Petition.

Given the prominent international role the CRU has played in providing the scientific basis for AGW, Professor Boulton has already nailed his colours to the mast. Publically, he has committed himself already to the view that the CRU has adhered "to the highest levels of professional integrity".

Professor Boulton can not act as an impartial member of your Panel. I see that he is also the author of your "Issues Paper".

I am even more convinced that your Report will fail to gain widespread acceptance.

Yours sincerely,

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