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The Honorable Bart Gordon  
Chairman  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington DC, 20515

Dear Chairman Gordon:

We write you to request a formal Committee investigation into climate change research and scientific integrity issues pursuant to Rule X of the Committee on Science and Technology.

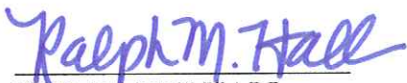
Recently, emails and documents leaked by the University of East Anglia's Climate Research Unit (CRU), one of the primary repositories of climate change data relied on by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), show numerous federal scientists and recipients of federal research grants involved in various inappropriate activities. The scientific community enjoys a tremendous amount of public trust. Unfortunately, the themes exposed in the CRU documents led to a loss of confidence in certain individuals as dispassionate arbiters of climate science.

The importance of these underlying issues being addressed is far-reaching and will impact the lives of every American. Accordingly, we welcome any consultation with the majority in proceeding with this matter.

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Please call me if you would like to discuss this matter further. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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