Joe Bastardi - Notes and asides.

I am sure many of you have heard about the break in to the Hadley CRU Centre.

Its an ironic thing to note the cries of criminal behavior, when hacking into this, that are coming up by people who seem to be, in scientific way, less than forthright in their actions, which are exposed by the "criminal" behavior (whistle blowing?) One of the names most bantered around of is Dr. Mann, who sits several miles away from me at Penn State, and in spite of my disagreements have always had high regard for, much to the chagrin of some people in this debate. Just like I can be wrong in the weather, I may be wrong there too.

There is a line in the PSU alma mater," may no act of ours bring shame" I am a graduate of Penn State so I am bound by that. Dr. Mann is a faculty member and not a PSU grad. I guess he gets an exemption, though judging by his comments on the matter, he sees nothing wrong with what he has been doing, along with his colleagues in this situation. I will leave it up to you, the reader, if you get to see these things. (I believe this is an inside job by someone who felt he had to blow the whistle and expose what many have suspected, this is not on the up and up). I will leave it to you as the judge as to whether the old adage "Those who have no shame, can feel none" applies.

In the end, and I will say it time and time again...we will get our answer in the next 30 years without having to use science as a weapon in agenda driven politics. I will be clear on my view, with the oceanic cycles changing and the sunspot cycles the way we are, if we get the drop we should (roughly 1-1.5 Fahrenheit worldwide, as measured by satellites, not where people can fudge data) then we know that CO2 is not a problem. If we don't, then it MIGHT be a problem down the road, but that is even shaky since plants love CO2 and would green the planet more, and emit more oxygen, which is something to look for in cooling the planet.

As for the energy situation, free markets and incentives, though imperfect, have always proved a way to get people to work harder. Forced markets and trying to limit the more ambitious among us are a form of enslavement. Lets be clear here. It was our Abraham Lincoln who said, "you can not make a weak man strong by making a strong man weak." I suspect, when we look back at this years from now, we will see that science was being used as yet another weapon in a world that cant seem to get it through its head that to allow, in the words of the Scottish poet Browning "a mans reach to exceed his grasp" one should not force their ideas upon another. I challenge people NOT TO BELIEVE ME, but go do the work and learn for themselves, which means looking at all sides of the issue, and come to their own conclusions

While I cant be sure, and attach no importance to singular events, perhaps the weather this winter and in years beyond will actually provide evidence to people that they should open their minds and not simply follow along like sheep.

Thanks for reading. Ciao for now.