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Reply to Attn of: **Office of the Chief Information Officer**

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Dear Sirs:

Thank you for your letter of 9 July 2019 requesting that NASA revise a Web site located at <https://climate.nasa.gov/evidence/>. Your challenge relates to the objectivity standard insofar as you claim that certain statements on the Web site are inaccurate. NASA's Information Quality Guidelines¹ apply basic standards of Utility, Objectivity, and Integrity to any information disseminated by the Agency. NASA reviewed your claim against the above guidelines and found the information referenced in your requests is still:

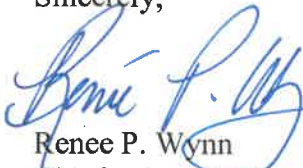
1. Relevant for the intended audience;
2. Accurate (clear and complete); and
3. Has not been corrupted or modified through unauthorized access.

NASA's Global Climate Change Web site (<https://climate.nasa.gov>) presents the state of scientific knowledge about climate change and honors the role that NASA has played and plays in researching and communicating climate science. NASA also still finds this information to be accurate and clear as it does not rely on results of a single peer-reviewed publication for facts, which is why a number of peer-reviewed papers are listed on the Web site (<https://climate.nasa.gov/scientific-consensus/>) to capture the robust nature of the scientific consensus. Lastly, NASA compared the language on the Web site to the original peer reviews and citations and found that it had not been tampered with or altered. Considering this review, NASA has determined that changes to the Web site are not needed at this time.

Per NASA's Information Quality Guidelines, you have the right to appeal this decision within 30 business days. Procedures for appeals are at part D.2 of those Guidelines.

¹ https://www.nasa.gov/sites/default/files/517756main_FINAL_NASA_guidelines.pdf

Sincerely,



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