

THE GLOBAL WARMING DEBATE

Dissenting comes at a price



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Speak Out and Get Gored

As Director of Energy Research for the U.S. Department of Energy, Happer testified before Congress in 1993 that scientific data did not support theories that greenhouse gas release was endangering the environment, remarks that caused Vice President Al Gore to fire him. “I was told that science was not going to interfere with government policy”, said Prof. Happer. His firing sent a chilling message to other scientists in government and academia — dissenting is dangerous to careers.