Greenpeace co-founder sounds off on climate change

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Canadian ecologist Patrick Moore, known as one of the cofounders of the activist group Greenpeace, has a history of sharply dissenting from policies supported by major environmental groups, including the one he helped create. Moore's latest departure is to assert that climate change, particularly the gradual warming of Earth's surface temperature over the last century, is not caused by humans.

"There is no scientific proof that human emissions of carbon dioxide are the dominant cause of the minor warming of the Earth's atmosphere over the past 100 years," Moore said during an appearance before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee on Tuesday. "If there were such a proof it would be written down for all to see. No actual proof, as it is understood in science, exists."

The ecologist, who worked with Greenpeace from 1971 to 1986 and left "not necessarily by his own choice," went on to found Greenspirit Strategies, an environmental and sustainability consulting firm in Vancouver.

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