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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	Methodology section must be completed and detailed to be more concise by authors. One wonders is this paper of philosophy or science? The methodology being replicable in science, I invite the authors to give more elements of understanding of the method/methodology used in their manuscript. Otherwise I think that Results section was compiled with discussion one. Important to reveal this aspect in section 3. L29-31 How can authors refer to "have been intentionally and covertly sprayed ..." in science? That need to be clarified and more argued! L85-90 The analysis of the curve indicates that the increase did not start from 0. Even if this increase seems slight before the peak, it is to be considered, and if so, what would be the reason? Moreover, the graph clearly indicates that around the 1950s, there was an increase that did not stop and that does not seem to stop until 2040. What is more, what do the authors think is driving this exponential growth? It would be interesting if the authors could justify the allegations made. This would make sense if the authors showed that the reasons given cut across a significant number of pollution sources. Conclusion of the manuscript seem raw and laconic.	Thanks for the review. The best review is one which helps the author improve the manuscript. That is the case here. Several reviewers had comments about Methodology. At the end of my response to other concerns, I copy a statement about methodology. On that subject you might find the open-access journal article of interest. Re L29-31 I added a sentence with references. Re L85-90 I added another figure and discussion that I think will answer that concern. Since the 1960s, especially in Western nations, government-funded scientists have functioned more-or-less on a consensus basis, almost invariably failing to cite contradictory ideas and evidence. Consequently, the Methodology described in this manuscript likely will be unknown to most scientists. Although I made very minor revisions to the Methodology in the present revised manuscript, reviewers might benefit from the following discussion published in my 2008 book <i>Maverick's Earth and Universe</i>. "There is a much more fundamental way to make scientific discoveries and I disclose it here: An individual ponders and through tedious efforts arranges seemingly unrelated observations into a logical sequence in the mind so that causal relationships become evident and new understanding emerges, which can then be justified by experiment or by theoretical consideration. At first all this may seem somewhat confusing and abstract. But this is really just an extension and generalization of what we all do more-or-less subconsciously. One day in 1976, while having lunch with Nobel Laureate Harold C. Urey (1893-1981) and Nobel Laureate Hannes Alfvén (1908-1995), the subject of conversation turned to approaches for making scientific discoveries. Alfvén expressed frustration at trying to build a theory based upon three or four astrophysical theories because, as he said, there is very little chance that all would be correct. When I described the approach I use for making scientific discoveries, Alfvén's eyes opened widely and he exclaimed, "Oh! How



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		fundamental!" Urey just smiled at me. Harold Urey was a good friend and mentor." To some this might seem to be more philosophy than science, but properly applied it is both. Recall, for example, Isaac Newton's book, translated from Latin, is entitled "Mathematical Principles of Natural Philosophy." To a great extent, post- World War II scientists tend to be specialists building upon some perceived model(s) of nature and all too often fail to realize or take into account that we live in a highly-connected natural world. By applying the Methodology I describe, a scientist through tedious efforts can arrange seemingly-independent observations into a logical sequence so that causal relationships become evident thus leading to new observations, ideas for new experiments and/or new theoretical considerations, and ultimately to new discoveries. The best way to understand this is by example. In 1979 I published a paper in the <i>Proceedings of the Royal Society of London</i> (PDF) describing the logical progression of understanding leading to a new concept on the composition of Earth's inner core. A government official, who had never encountered a paper of that type, queried Prof. Dr. Hans E. Suess, who described my PRSL paper as "a fundamental statement." The best way to understand some of the implications and advances that stemmed from that 1979 PRSL paper is to read the 2014 <i>Current Science</i> review article (PDF). The geoscience community in Western nations not only ignores published contradictions, but actively acts to suppress them. For example, the above <i>Current Science</i> paper was first submitted to an Elsevier journal, but the editor, a geology professor at the University of Oxford, rejected the paper without any reviews with just a brief nonsense statement; that is not science. The present manuscript, "Air Pollution, Not Greenhouse Gases: The Principal Cause of Global Warming", might be described as "a fundamental statement." In essence it is the consequence of arranging seemingly-independent observations into a logical sequence so that causal relationships become evident and thus will lead to new observations, new ideas for experiments and/or theoretical considerations, and ultimately to new discoveries.
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	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
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