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The chairman of the Senate committee of Energy and Natural Resources, Geoff Bingamoon, has e-mailed you the following request:

"Dear student,

As Chairman of the Senate committee on Energy and Natural Resources, it is critically important that I understand the entirety of the issues relating to anthropogenic global warming. In particular, the evidence for or against such global warming must be carefully considered prior to taking any legislative action. It has come to my attention that significant criticism has been levied on the so-called "Hockey Stick", which has been used to support the idea that fossil fuel burning is responsible for 20th century warming. As an expert on this area of climate science, I ask that you provide the committee with a concise, scientific opinion of this work such that we can evaluate the extent to which the "Hockey Stick" supports the idea of anthropogenic global warming.

Sincerely,  
Geoff Bingamoon (D-New Mexico)"

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