

Dear Committee Members,

I make this submission as an Australian deeply concerned about the potentially catastrophic effects of extreme weather brought about by Climate Change

I respectfully submit that your committee's enquiry must:

1. Make clear that action to prevent climate chaos is the primary step in any effective adaptation strategy to extreme weather events.
2. Support the strongest possible action to prevent further climatic warming and the potentially catastrophic effects on Australia's and the Earth's economy and ecology as well as human health brought about by extreme weather events.
3. Recognise and support that rapid and sweeping technological and economic shifts urgently need to be implemented across energy, transport, housing and agriculture, forestry and mining sectors in order to prevent the worst projected extreme weather events associated with climate change.
4. Acknowledge Australia's leadership role in having contributed more than its fair share of anthropogenic global warming through its fossil fuel extraction and general resource consumption patterns and accept that it is in our interests as well as a moral responsibility for us to play a leadership role in demonstrating effective solutions.

With thanks