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Ms Christine McDonald  
Committee Secretary  
Environment and Communications References Committee  
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Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms McDonald

Thank you for your invitation to make a submission to the Environment and Communications References Committee inquiry into the current and future impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure.

I am pleased to provide you with the attached joint submission which includes input from:

- the Department of the Environment and Energy
- the Bureau of Meteorology
- the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
- the Attorney-General's Department
- the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
- Geoscience Australia.

The departments and agencies listed above regularly collaborate on issues relevant to the inquiry through mechanisms such as the Australian Government Disaster and Climate Resilience Reference Group, co-chaired by the Department of the Environment and Energy and the Attorney-General's Department.

Yours sincerely

Dr Gordon de Brouwer  
15 August 2017

On behalf of:

Mr Chris Moraitis, Secretary, Attorney-General's Department

Mr Daryl Quinlivan, Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

Dr Andrew Johnson, Director, Bureau of Meteorology

Dr Russell Reichelt, Chairperson, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Dr James Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, Geoscience Australia