

Dear Senate ,

I have been in the Renewable Energy Industry for 29 years YES 29 years, they call me the grandfather of the Solar Industry .

The real solar roller coaster started in 2000 with the Howard Govt doing a deal with Democrats to sell 50% of Telstra.

Our business grew from \$1m to \$12M over 10 years now we are back to \$2M, this is because the Govt has stuffed around with the Renewable Energy Industry and used it as a Political football .

Why don't you leave everything as it is including ARENA which is very important to the ongoing stability of the Renewable Energy industry ,it is the Centre for excellence and keeps Australia on the cutting edge of the Solar Industry .

Established in July 2012 with a ten- year budget mapped out, ARENA's raison d'être is to drive renewable energy projects. Despite the agency's awe-inspiring line up of projects that demonstrate fiscal and environmentally sound development, the federal government has confirmed its intent to relegate clean energy and clean air to the back burner. The solar energy industry has few better allies than the Australian Renewable Energy Agency, whose mission is succinctly put: "To improve competitiveness of renewable energy technology, and increase the supply of renewable energy."

It's a nice, concise, clear mission statement. Equally clear – but in this instance foreboding – is the federal government's mission to pull the rug from under the nation's preeminent driver of renewable energy developments. Broadcast during the May 2014 budget, the federal government intends to repeal the Australian Renewable Energy Act 2011 Act and embed the agency's activities in the Department of Industry, while returning funding of \$1.3 billion to "consolidated revenue".

Leave the Renewable Energy industry alone ,the liberals created the industry NOT Labour why destroy it now , who is paying Liberals Bills ,is the Coal Fire Industry ?

Regards

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