INPUT TO NSW FARMERS SUBMISSION TO SENATRE COMMITTEE ON NATIVE VEGETATION LAWS, GREENHOUSE GAS ABATEMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE MEASURES.

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- Richard was responsible for the motion moved by Coolah/Cassilis Branch at the last Annual Conference calling for a royal Commission into whether mankind activities are causing climate change. The features of the Royal Commission are.
 - a. Strict rules of evidence.
 - b. Compulsion to attend.
 - c. Compulsion to bring documents.
 - d. Threat of gaol if caught lying under oath.
- Since Annual Conference, there has been widespread evidence of scientific fraud to back up the claims of those who say that mankind activities are causing climate change and encouraging atmospheric temperature rise.
 - a. Doctoring of temperature evidence.
 - b. Spurious claims that glaciers are melting
 - c. Spurious claims that ocean levels are rising which if they are, are probably due to storm and abnormal tide activity.
 - d. Withdrawal of funding for proper and unbiased scientific measurement.
- The Association submission should stress that no emission trading system or climate change abatement procedures should be introduced for ten years
- During this ten year period, there should e a re-instatement of widespread temperature measurement worldwide especially in Russia/Siberia where it is understood that many temperature stations have been closed down.
- 5. The Australian Government should assist in funding this measurement.
- The Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) and the CSIRO should be de-politicised so that scientifically accurate and politically unbiased advice can be given to the Government of the day.
- 7. Farmers should be free to clear their land in a responsible fashion and not be pressured into planting trees, which current government policies are predicated to. These policies are the greatest threat to Agriculture in Australia and weaken our ability to feed ourselves and export to a food hungry world. Australia now has more tree cover then in pre European Settlement times.
- 8. The current crazy anti land clearing policies are the result of extreme 'green' ideology, unsupported by scientific evidence based fact, which now permeates all levels of Government and the Public Service.
- 9. There is a rather perverse effect of the widespread planting of trees which is not generally recognised. Apart from the withdrawal of agricultural land from cropping and livestock activities which would cause food production problems and famine, trees in a forest canopy are rather dark compared to most other surfaces.
- 10. According to Garth W. Paltridge, the former Chief Research Scientist with the CSIRO Division of Atmospheric Research, the fraction of down coming solar energy reflected back into space is generally about half that of a desert or semi-arid grasslands.

- 11. The increase in the darkness of the planet under a massive tree-planting operation would <u>increase</u> the temperature of the planet with attendant increase in darkness.
- 12. These consequences could wipe out any supposed benefit of reducing the concentration of atmospheric CO2.
- 13. Land set aside for the cultivation of bio-fuel crops can have a serious effect on the agricultural land available for the traditional food crops. This in the past has caused dramatic price rises for agricultural commodities and this feeds into the general price level for foodstuffs in under-developed countries. In turn, this has created famine in these parts of the world.