

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIA'S CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE LEGISLATION

Chair: Ms Anna Burke, MP

INQUIRY INTO THE CLEAN ENERGY BILLS CANBERRA PUBLIC HEARING Wednesday, 21 September 2011

The Joint Select Committee on Australia's Clean Energy Future Legislation will hold a public hearing on the Clean Energy Bills on Wednesday, 21 September 2011 in Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

The Bills implement the government's decision to place a price on carbon and move to an emissions trading scheme by 2015. The Bill provides for a fixed carbon price for three years starting at \$23 per tonne of carbon pollution. The legislation provides that the carbon price will be paid by liable entities, which have facilities that emit 25 000 tonnes or more of carbon pollution a year.

The Bills provide for assistance to support jobs in emissions-intensive trade exposed industries. In addition, the legislative package provides for tax reform and assistance to households.

The proposed legislation provides for the creation of the Clean Energy Regulator which will work with liable entities to ensure compliance with the mechanism. It is charged with educating and advising entities about how they may comply.

The Chair of the Committee, Anna Burke, said that the committee will examine the adequacy of the Bills in achieving the policy objective and where possible identify any unintended consequences.

Public Hearing Program Wednesday, 21 September 2011 Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

- 9.15 am The Treasury Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
- 11.15am Adjournment

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