

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

Australia needs to rethink its Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS) and take a lead on reducing carbon emissions.

In order to achieve reduced emissions we must include the carbon cost in everything Australians manufacture and consume including imports. There are a few options for this:

- Carbon tax where the government reinvests the revenue to sustainable energy and infrastructure;
- Carbon rationing leaving consumers with the option to buy or sell their carbon rations on the free market.

Of course, these two implementations are the stick - what of the carrot?

- Renewable energy feed-in tariffs;
- Energy efficiency standards for homes, commercial buildings and transport;
- Investment in transport infrastructure; and
- Ending the logging of Australia's native forests.

These steps alone would reduce Australia's emissions by substantially more than 5% at a time when we need to wean ourselves off fossil fuels.

The ETS in its present format is flawed. Let Australia take the initiative in a vision with long-term certainty for Australians and Australian business.

Sincerely,
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