

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

The Rudd government was elected amidst a wave of optimism about the changes that are possible and necessary given the urgent need to tackle climate change amongst a raft of other pressing environmental issues.

The targets that have been set in the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme are a slap in the face to every person on the planet, let alone those of us like myself with young children, who have a direct stake in the future of the human race and the billions of species that face extinction if climate change is allowed to proceed unchecked.

I would like to urge the government to set in place stronger targets such as those recommended of between 20-45% by 2020. But no, I demand it! This is not a political game we are talking about here, it is the future of life as we know it.

I would urge all of you in positions to make decisions around climate policy that affect us all, to look into your hearts and think about what is important in this world.

Regards
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