

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

I write today to voice my opposition to the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS) proposed by the Government. In my humble opinion this is a badly designed scheme that will be worse than useless. Its key flaws include an unacceptably low target, and a design which over-compensates polluters at the expense of the community and environment.

Over the years I have tried to do as much as I can to lower my energy use... walk and take a bus rather than drive a car... change to energy efficient light bulbs.... eschew big plasma TVs and other unnecessary and carbon intensive items, etc. etc.

I have to say I now feel so disheartened that for the first time in many years, I feel like giving up. The amount of savings I make is but a drop in the ocean compared with the big polluters who now seem to be given an added incentive to pollute.

Unless there is a switch to clean, green energy sources to give Australians some hope for the future and for future generations, I feel this country is doomed and I am seriously considering living elsewhere - some place where I can feel safe in the knowledge that the government takes global warming seriously and is prepared to do something real and constructive to address climate change.

Having just lived through bushfires in my area, a real and horrifying portent of what is likely to be commonplace and widespread in the future, I no longer feel safe or secure in this country, nor do I feel it will be safe for my children and grandchildren.

Yours sincerely,

Lyn Kellett