

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

Australia needs to do her bit to avert catastrophic climate change in the world. The currently-proposed emissions scheme is nowhere near good enough. Please, give proper thought to enacting an effective scheme in line with the recommended reduction of 25 - 40% for Australia.

Polluting industries and companies must be required to be fully responsible for cleaning up their acts, without increasing the burden on average Australian households and smaller businesses. Many of us are already doing all we can, while big corporations ignore the warnings.

Many other environmental schemes could and should be enacted to support our world and our country's future. These would also support the emissions reduction goal, create ethical and sustainable employment and investment opportunities, and more.

The current government started well in office, but needs to remain vigilant in doing the right thing if it is to stay there. Does the Rudd government wish to be remembered as the regime that pushed us into devastation? Surely not.

Please listen to the real, long-term needs of the people, the country and the world. Legislate according to truth.

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