

The Secretary
Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy
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Dear Senators,

Thank you for inviting submissions to the Climate-Policy Senate Select Committee. Here is mine:

The current Federal government was elected with a *clear mandate*, by the nation, for it to seriously tackle the concern of climate change. Since then the threat of climate change has been found to be even larger. The actions that government is required to take - will create losers (as well as winners!) and thus clearly will bring about criticism from some quarters. It is clear that industry lobbyists have long been hard-pressuring politicians like Kevin Rudd and Penny Wong. The resulting CPRS is so compromised that unfortunately it really is a joke. It is far-short of what is needed to address climate change, and as such it is in effect like a broken promise to the people of Australia. Its weakness of action threatens our children, people around the world, and the future of our planet.

We need SCIENCE-BASED goals for the reduction of greenhouse gases, not ineffectual compromises. And clearly we need all countries need to work together setting a low personal emissions quota for everyone. Instead of trying to get away with doing the least that we can - *please* show real LEADERSHIP in addressing this most-important of problems.

Further, while Australia cannot solve the problem alone, we could lead in the development of technological solutions that will help the world. That is *not* a reason to merely invest in potential solutions, like carbon sequestration, but it is one of the best options for our country to literally save the planet. And it is an option that is compatible with a strong economic future for Australia as well.

John Howard and George Bush's names will go down in history as some of the worst offenders in greenhouse politics. Please consider: how do you want yourselves to be remembered?

Yours Sincerely, on behalf of myself and my family,

Andrew Greenhill