

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

We need to make sure we have an appropriate, well-designed emissions trading scheme with meaningful targets, one that allows householders to participate effectively and transform Australia's economy to one that is both environmentally and economically sustainable.

The Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS) currently proposed by the Government includes an inappropriately weak target, and over-compensation for polluters at the expense of the community and environment.

We need a scheme in which polluters pay, voluntary reductions from the community are accounted for and complementary measures including a mandatory renewable energy target, a renewable energy feed-in tariff, energy efficiency standards for homes and commercial buildings, fuel efficiency standards and investment in trains, buses and trams, and ending the logging of Australia's native forests. All these complementary measures should be pursued regardless of the CPRS.

Please look at the science of this situation, not the politics. Listen to the experts who offer their advice to you during this inquiry, listen to the people of Australia and make the right decision in your recommendations.

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