

We would like to add our voice to the other residents of Samford Valley in protesting the Federal Governments means testing of Solar Panel Rebates. Prior to the election announcement we and several hundred other residents had signed a contract and paid initial deposits to have rebatable solar panels installed on our homes in an effort to minimise our green house emissions and reduce our families carbon footprint.

We were under the impression that the Rudd government's commitment to Kyoto and climate change generally would see an increase in the support for environmentally friendly energy rather than reduction in the support of realistic options.

With the removal of the rebate from 13th May we and many other families can no longer afford to have the solar panels installed and have now cancelled the contract. We do not understand how a Government that is supposed to be committed to climate change can remove this incentive with no prior warning to the people it most affects. The residents of Samford Valley have had a long and tireless campaign to get a large number of homes to commit to make a difference to our country and switch to cleaner energy. The Federal Government decision now appears to have made all this effort a complete waste of time.

We request you to register our protest and disgust in this decision and urge you to pursue the government to reverse its decision in this matter

Regards

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