

The Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Save Our Solar (Solar Rebate Protection) Bill 2008 [No. 2]

We wish to comment on the above bill currently being the subject of an enquiry by this committee.

We live in Tasmania and we fitted a solar hot water system some 17 years ago. This has been incredibly successful, supplying virtually all our hot water needs in summer. We had been planning on installing solar electric panels later this year, and we were appalled when the new Labor government cancelled the rebate. We strongly urge the Committee to recommend the reinstatement of this rebate with no limitation on the grants for each year. This is one of the most positive moves that can be made to counter global warming.

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