Submission to Senate Inquiry into Solar Rebate Means test.

I would like to make the following submission to Senate inquiry into Solar Rebates Means test.

The means test in my view has significantly impacted upon my business. I have been in the PV industry since the introduction of the \$8000 rebate in May 07. I studied part-time for 3 years to obtain my BCSE accreditation whilst working.

When the \$8000 rebate was introduced, I resigned from my employment and invested my savings into starting a business in Toowoomba, Qld. specialising in the installation of Grid-connected Solar Systems called Gecko Solar. My business has only installed systems under the rebate scheme and has almost no other sales other than grid-connect systems. Since the introduction of the \$100K Means test inquiries have dropped from several a week to nothing. And Installations have dropped from 1-2 per month to nothing at all since. I call on the Senate Inquiry to recommend the immediate withdrawal of the mean test as this necessary to revive the PV industry.

30th July 2008 SEAN FLANAGAN - DIRECTOR GECKO SOLAR PTY LTD. BCSE ACCREDITTED P1667