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Committee Secretary
Select Committee on the Scrutiny of New Taxes
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Dear Committee Secretary,

Re: Select Committee on the Scrutiny of New Taxes – Inquiry into Carbon Tax Pricing Mechanisms

The "Automotive, Food, Metals, Engineering, Printing and Kindred Industries Union" known as the Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union (AMWU) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the inquiry by the Select Committee into Carbon Tax Pricing Mechanisms. In that context, we welcome the recent announcement by the Government of the Clean Energy Future package, as a package which seeks to place a price on carbon pollution, producing incentives for Australian industry to innovate to reduce carbon pollution.

We have had the benefit of reviewing a draft of the ACTU's submission in respect of the draft legislation, and we support and concur with that submission. With the ACTU, we welcome the legislative package announced by the Government as a vital step in pricing carbon whilst recognising the need to manage the transition of the economy into one which supports clean technology jobs across industry.

Essential to managing that transition is support for clean technology in Australian manufacturing, producing clean technology jobs for Australian workers. This is why it is essential to ensure that the Clean Energy Future package provides for Australian Industry Participation (AIP) arrangements, and we particularly commend to the Committee the ACTU submission in respect of the importance of AIP.

We thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Committee's Inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

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