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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to voice my strong support for the continuation of the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA). As an Australian, I have been moved by the commitment of the former Parliament to advance renewable energy through programs such as ARENA, the Clean Energy Finance Corporation and the introduction of carbon pricing. The aim of the Australian Government should surely be to guide the transition of our economy to one based on industries that will be profitable and effective well into the future. As is clear in Europe and increasingly in the United States, renewable energy will be a central pillar in the future energy industry. The scrapping of ARENA would be a step backwards for our country. I am firmly opposed to it, and together with millions of other Australians, who are becoming increasingly vocal supporters of renewable energy<sup>1</sup>, will align my vote in future elections with parties that support an economy based on sustainable industries.

Kind regards

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<sup>1</sup> 5 million Australians have solar PV or water heating on their roofs. 23500 Australians are employed in the solar industry