Submission to Senate Inquiry into Extreme Weather

It is beyond question that Climate Change arising from Global Warming is resulting in increasing frquency and intensity of extreme weather events, be they drought, flood or fire.

This is occurring not only in Australia, but world wide, resulting injury and loss of life, often on a massive scale, dislocation of everyday life, damage and destruction of infrastructure, and huge economic costs to individuals and nations.

While States and Territories have in recent yeras struggled manfully to respond to the disasters that have befallen them, their resources in both manpower and machinery, are inadequate and probably will remain so, even with very substantial increases in funding for specific purposes.

Extreme wearhe events in Austalia and world wide will continue to worsen, despite additional resouces we must provide.

Alleviation will be over the longer term, but only if Austalia and the world take concerted action to limit global warming to the gaols of the International Commission for Climate Change.

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