## 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009

The Secretary
Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy
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CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to put forward my submission on climate change. I will be brief as follows:

- 1. Climate change is a serious threat. 95% of scientists believe so.
- 2. The Queensland floods and Victoria's fires are a warning that it is happening now.
- 3. It is well documented that an early response is much more affordable than a late response.
- 4. Infrastructure spending is the best way governments can keep the economy going in times of recession. This infrastructure spending should be spent on renewable energy production and research for power and transport. Wind, solar, hydro, and hot rocks will provide all of Australia's power requirements in the long term.
- 5. We must be involved in reducing green house gases globally. We must keep our coal in the ground. This carbon store has been pulled out of the atmosphere over millions of years. Selling coal to China is akin to selling explosives to terrorists.
- 6. While uranium is not a renewable resource, it can play an important role in reducing CO2. The long term costs of using Uranium will be far less than the costs of global warming. We can reduce the impact of less coal exports by increasing our uranium mining and export.

Thank you Yours faithfully

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