

The Secretary  
Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy  
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Dear Senators,

I am writing to express my deep concerns about the climate change policies. I feel extremely disappointed and frustrated that despite everyone I know voting the Rudd government in to try and tackle climate change, the targets are so weak!

I am equally disappointed that with all the stimuli to the economy, there hasn't been a focus on making our economy greener. I feel ashamed that a country like Australia, which prides itself on having a beautiful environment, doesn't set itself as a world leader in this area, and I feel we need MUCH stronger targets of 30-40% in the context of a global agreement. It is deluded to think we can simply continue taking from this planet, without doing so in a sustainable way and working with the very planet we rely on!

I really feel also, that the way the cuts work is unfair and encourages big business to continue polluting. Plus I feel strongly that investing now in climate change will not only stimulate our economy but provide new Green Collar jobs.

I feel so strongly about this issue that I have written this letter, which is a very rare thing for me. I guess that the urgency I feel about climate change is so strong, and yet the actions by the government so disappointingly weak, that I am getting desperate to see some real action. I want to preserve our world for the generations to come, and pass down a responsible attitude of caring about our environment that I will be proud of, and not ashamed.

Yours sincerely,

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