

Good morning,

I find the lack of leadership on climate change as distressingly scary. I consider myself reasonably well educated and well aware of the reality of climate change and the all but unconditionally accepted reality that the last 100 years of burning carbon rich fuels that were stored away for millenia is to blame for it.

Our previous generations may have had ignorance to thank for not realising the damage they were causing the climate control system but we do not.

I see great opportunity in Australia taking a leading role in developing and implementing new technologies and great future benefits in getting off the drugs of cheap oil and the economic modelling that measures well being purely on \$\$\$ of activity, yet places no value on the very ecosystem that we abuse to get the very short term gain.

I am not a greenie tied to a tree, in fact I am a property developer and real estate agent. I may have far more to lose (financially) than to gain, and I expect strong leadership on climate change will see radical changes across all segments of society and I look forward to those challenges because I know they are for the benefit and healthy future of my children and generations to come.

Strong leadership on this issue will gain my respect. Weak kneed giving in to factions who can prop up political parties with donations or threaten withdrawal of support- should be seen for what it is. Weakness in the face of the biggest chalkeenge we have yet faced, and weakness underserving of a leading role in climate change policy.

Feel free to contact me.

Regards,

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