

To Senators on the Senate Select Committee on Climate Policy,

We are older Australians and we intend to do whatever we can to prevent a climate catastrophe. We want to be backed by our government to do this, to do our best to take care of our earth and all the life on it. Either we all succeed or we all fail, there will be no distinction in the end that relates to the political and economic considerations of 2009. It is time to get real. We know you are equal to the challenge and we are backing you to rise to it.

We understand that to give ourselves a chance to avert catastrophe, Australia needs to reduce emissions by between 25 and 40 per cent by 2020. It is also necessary to have a fair scheme in which the effort and contribution of every individual and organisation is honoured. We ask you to engage your courage, vision and humanity and ensure that this is what happens.

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