

July 2008

The Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications
and the Arts
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir / Madam

I would like to submit the attached two letters (sent to Mr Garrett and Mr Rudd) to the Inquiry into Save Our Solar (Solar Rebate Protection) Bill 2008 [No.2].

I received the standard reply from Mr Garrett's office as per submission 5 attachment 2. I did not receive a reply from Mr Rudd's office.

My letters clearly state how I feel about the Government's decision to means test the Solar Rebate. In addition, I make the following suggestions (in order of preference) as to what I would have considered to be more fair and reasonable:

1. No means test for the Solar Rebate.
2. Means test income value of \$200,000 or in line with other means testing eg baby bonus income value \$150,000.
3. A sliding scale for the rebate eg household income \$250 k ~ \$2,000, \$200k ~ \$4,000, \$150,000 ~ \$6000, \$100,000 < ~ \$8,000.
4. No means test but reduce the rebate to \$5,000.

Thank you for allowing me to make a submission to the Inquiry.

Yours sincerely
Jenny Issell