

Dear Secretariat,

With respect to this inquiry, I have recently listened to Dr Guy Pearse outline a number of concerns with this legislation and strongly recommend reading his "Quarry vision: coal, climate change and the end of the resources boom" published in *Quarterly Essay*, Issue 33, 2009.

Further, I am greatly concerned by the apparent likelihood that an effect of the legislation would lead to added fuel costs for public transport providers but not to private motorists. I consider this possibly very undesirable not only because of the potential financial effect but also because it is contrary to the advice from Prof Garnaut that price signals should at least signal the policy direction.

I consider that overall the legislation is ill-conceived and by locking in a system supporting the polluting industries should not proceed.

Yours sincerely,

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