

Inquiry into the National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 [2008]

On 12 March 2008, the Senate referred the National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 [2008] to the Senate Standing Committee on Economics for report by 30 May 2008.

This bill is a private Senator's bill introduced by Senator Allison from the Australian Democrats. The bill proposes to amend the *Renewable Energy (Electricity) Act 2000* to introduce an energy efficiency trading scheme.

The bill was restored to the Notice Paper in the current Parliament. In effect, it is the same bill into which the Economics Committee began an inquiry in 2007 but the intervening federal election prevented the Committee from examining the bill. The Committee requests that those who put in submissions to the 2007 inquiry resubmit if they wish their views to be considered by the Committee.

The Committee invites written submissions which should be sent to:

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The closing date for submissions is **18 April 2008**.

The Committee requests that where possible, submissions should also be provided by email to economics.sen@aph.gov.au, preferably as MS Word or RTF format documents. Notes to assist in preparing submissions are available from the website http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/committee/wit_sub/index.htm or telephone the Secretariat on 02 6277 3540, fax: 02 6277 5719, or e-mail at the above address.

Once the Committee accepts your submission, it becomes a confidential committee document and is protected by Parliamentary Privilege. You must **not** release your submission without the Committee's permission. If you do, it is not protected by Parliamentary Privilege. At some stage during the inquiry, the Committee normally makes submissions public. Please indicate if you want your submission to be kept confidential.

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