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To the Senators who delayed RET target legislation,

I would like to take this opportunity to explain to you the ramifications to my business of your party deferring the Renewable Energy Target (RET) and the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS) legislation to another senate economics committee. The original MRET legislation was a coalition endeavor which you now choose not to support for small political gain.

The delay in the RET means a steep downturn in the value of REC's. As an installer of solar hot water systems this is absolutely devastating to my small business with 25 employees. The loss to my business between the 9th of June until the 12th August (if it passes, will be worse if it doesn't) could be up to \$48,000 approximately.

Should the legislation be delayed to March next year, I think it would create a serious impact in my business. I would have to let a large portion of my staff go.

So much of the industry is based on the RET target and with these delays comes great financial burdens to affected business and the only way that the solar hot water industry can maintain its momentum until the target is set is if the cost of installation is comparable to cheaper electric hot water systems that take up such a large proportion of the market.

All of this chaos comes off the back of a move by government to increase the target from 2% to 20%, the renewable energy industry is going to be disseminated just when it should be looking to expand and grow jobs to deliver the target.

It is a disgrace to see our democracy taken away by stupid ***“one up man ship and politicking”*** while we have so many urgent matters facing us and our world.

Yours Sincerely,
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