Sent: Thursday, 23 July 2009

To: Economics, Committee (SEN)

Subject:Solar Energy

We in Australia are fortunate enough to live in an environment that will allow us to produce the energy required to run our homes using Solar Energy panels on our homes.

With the problems being faced of higher electricity costs, whilst attempting to balance a tightly stretched family budget, the need to reduce carbon emisions and be more environmentally friendly why are we Australian families having so many problems with our Governements recognising the need to use eco friendly power sources and encourage the householders to produce some, or even all, of their own power requirements by installing Solar Power panels to their homes.

As an environementaly aware family, with a tight budget in a very tight economic climate, the opportunity to power our own home thru the installation of solar power is but a dream, the economic reality is that, without Government support and assistance, we will simply not be able to afford to install the much needed and wanted independance from spiralling electricity costs and the opportunity to become a "greener" household by harnessing the power of the sun to supply electricity to our home.

We appreciate being given the opportunity to provide a greener, more environmentally friendly home for our children, and are calling on this Government... in fact all representatives of Government to recognise the urgent need that all families have and assist us to assist you by using Solar Power and reduce the amount of power that you, as Governments, are required to produce for us.

Thank you Nicole Aleckson