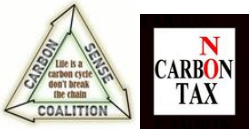


The Hon Julia Gillard MP
 Prime Minister
 Parliament House
 Canberra ACT 2600



Dear Prime Minister,



We are writing to you to express our grave concerns regarding the proposed carbon tax, and to express our strong opposition to its implementation.



If this tax is enacted, it will damage the Australian economy and hurt families. Even with promised compensation, a carbon tax will significantly increase the size and scope of government through burdensome taxation, regulation and the potential for rent seeking by vested interests.



Every business and every household will be affected by rising prices, at a time when the economy is already facing sharp increases in inflation. Electricity bills will go up by at least \$300 per household, not to mention increases in the cost of basic goods and services that will be passed onto consumers. Australia just cannot afford another great big tax.



It is also clear that your carbon tax shall do nothing to help the environment, and that its impact on carbon dioxide emissions will be negligible. Australia produces just over 1% of world carbon emissions and the reductions envisaged by this tax will have no noticeable impact on levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. In fact, even if Australia was to cease all carbon dioxide emissions, and accepting IPCC projections, this would at most save 0.015 degrees of warming over 50 years. To significantly burden our fragile economy with an imposition such as this tax, for no benefit, is poor public policy.



Prior to the 2010 election, you specifically pledged - on numerous occasions - that your government would not introduce a carbon tax without first seeking an explicit mandate from the Australian people through an election. To introduce this tax is a breach of this commitment and makes a mockery of our democratic process. If you continue to feel - despite the overwhelming environmental and economic evidence against this tax - that you must do so, then we call upon you to request the dissolution of parliament so that a new election may be called, and a mandate sought from the Australian people.

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This tax is bad public policy, will hurt our economy for no practical environmental gains, and the method of implementing it is undemocratic at best. As such, we support and endorse the spontaneous grassroots rallies and other initiatives that have emerged nationwide in opposition to this tax, and we call upon you to either withdraw this proposal, or call a new election immediately.

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