

# **The Carbon-quake in Australia**

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## **Climate Alarmists Rebuffed in Australian Election.**

The climate alarmists and carbon taxers have suffered a body blow in the recent Australian elections – it was a turning point in the war on carbon.

The victorious leader, Tony Abbott, had made it absolutely clear throughout the campaign and in the days immediately after his victory, that abolishing the carbon tax is one of his immediate priorities. Many factors played a part in his victory, but his outspoken and steadfast opposition to the carbon tax was an important one.

Thank you to our supporters for all the congratulatory comments about the role of "Carbon Sense" in preparing the way for this public revolt. Here are a couple:

*Well Done Oz, well done Carbon Sense.*

*I congratulate Australia for chucking out those who were destroying your country, and congratulate you and "Carbon Sense" for the unyielding, persistent stream of useful scientific and logical argument against the climate lobby. Your message has been so powerful and so well presented for so long, surely it played a significant part in keeping the majority on the side of reason?*

*M.R.*

*I have followed your crusade and cheered for you. After all, your personal energy and determination must have had an important role in reminding your fellow Australians that the scare tactics and policies of climate change fanaticism are nothing more than a scheme of the political left. I am amazed by your lasting commitment to defend the professional and scientific truth about carbon, and challenge the claims and lies of demagogic politicians and opportunistic "scientists". I must thank you for your efforts and would be honoured if we could maintain our professional link and friendship.*

*M.M.*

**And a General Comment:**

*Maybe you should change your name from "Carbon Sense" to simply "good sense".*

*Even though I think you're stark raving mad sometimes – other times I think you're maybe the only sane one left! You remind me of Sisyphus at times!! Keep up the battle.*

*K.C.*

There was good news and bad news in the election.

The good news was that the Labor/Green/Independent coalition that had led Australia into the unwinnable war on carbon was decisively rejected. The Labor vote fell to its lowest level for a century, the Green vote fell 3% and the independents who helped create and support this destructive green coalition are no longer in Parliament.

The other feature of this campaign was the high public interest in the election and the big dissatisfaction with all major parties. Lots of small single-issue parties were formed and contested the election. Most of these small parties were also opposed to the carbon tax.

And a few of them were smart enough to maintain strict discipline among themselves on how preference votes were directed, ensuring that some of them were elected to the Senate.

There was one bad note in the election. Two prominent new small parties, the Palmer United Party (PUP) and the Katter Australia Party (KAP) foolishly directed significant preferences to the ALP and/or Greens ahead of the Liberal/Nationals. This was done partly out of spite, but mainly in a big gamble that did not always pay off.

Bob Katter's largely conservative supporters reacted badly to him "assisting the enemy" and his primary vote fell dramatically. His hold on his own electorate has become marginal. Clive Palmer's pact with the Greens got less publicity before the election and he did surprisingly well all over Australia. He probably got one Senator elected because of his shady deal with the green devils, but then in another state a Green Senator will probably be elected on Palmer preferences. So we may be stuck for six years with at least one Green senator who should not have been elected.

Another feature of the election was the minimal support for the anti-coal-seam-gas party.

Now we need to make sure the new government dismantles the whole climate industry.

*Stop Press: Germany's conservatives also just won a massive victory in their latest election. Greens lost heavily, their vote falling from 16% in polls early in the year to 8% now (from 11% last election). More: <http://www.spiegel.de/international/germany/merkel-wins-third-term-in-general-election-a-923755.html>*

### ***How to Untangle the Climate Bureaucracy: Last In, First Out***

Abolishing the Climate Commission is a good start. However there are still seven climate agencies and 33 climate schemes in seven different departments yet to be rooted out.

What is the best way to unwind this huge un-necessary bureaucratic empire?

Use the old union maxim – last in, first out. Whatever parliament created in one silly summer afternoon can be unmade just as quickly.

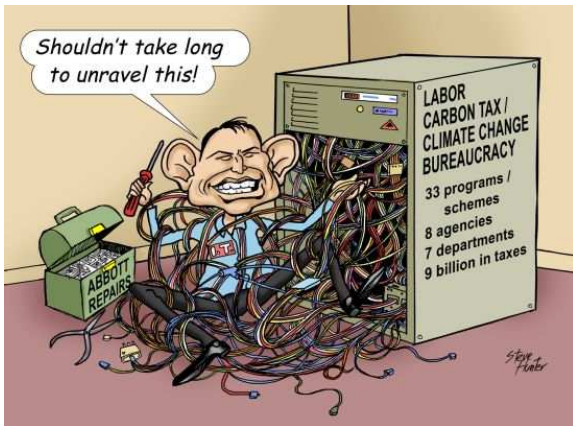
Don't merge, don't reorganise, don't rebrand – ABOLISH.

And do it quickly before more damage is done to our economy, our energy supplies and our environment.

And don't worry about the climate. It will go on doing what it has always done - it will change.

*Here is evidence that the above is not an exaggeration:  
<http://resources.news.com.au/files/2013/09/10/1226716/439140-130911-climate.pdf>*

And here is how it should be done:



### Untangle This?

If above image is missing a high resolution copy can be found at;  
<http://www.carbon-sense.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/untangle-this.tif>

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### ***Killing the Carbon Tax is Not Enough we must also Abolish the Unreliable Energy Targets***

Killing the carbon tax is not enough to restore sanity to Australia's energy policies - the Renewable Energy Targets must also be abolished.

No matter what laws are passed in Parliament, wind/solar power can never supply reliable economical grid power - their fundamental flaws are too numerous.

Their low energy density means that large areas of land must be blighted to collect a significant quantity of power.

Moreover, their intermittent supply pattern means that they cannot maintain a predictable electricity supply.

And even if some magic cheap storage system is invented, the expensive wind/solar generating facilities will remain under-utilised for more than 60% of the time, and up to 30% of any energy stored will be lost in transfers.

Finally, without storage, green power needs full backup from reliable generation plants (which must also operate intermittently).

Germany is proving that an advanced society cannot survive on wind/solar energy, even with support from French nuclear power, Swedish hydro-power, Russian gas and Polish coal.

For too long, green dreamers have forced their daft ideas on Australia's power supply network. We need to employ real power engineers and grown-up energy technology.

The Renewable Energy Targets should be renamed “Unreliable Energy Targets” and abolished immediately.

*If you would like to read more:*

Germany's biggest wind developer goes bankrupt:  
<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/09/09/windreich-financing-insolvency-idUSL5N0H53MJ20130909?feedType=RSS&feedName=bankruptcyNews>

How Electricity became a luxury good in Germany:  
<http://www.spiegel.de/international/germany/high-costs-and-errors-of-german-transition-to-renewable-energy-a-920288.htm#ref=nl-international>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/09/19/world/europe/germanys-effort-at-clean-energy-proves-complex.html?pagewanted=1&r=0&emc=eta1>

Germany commits economic suicide with green energy dreams:  
[http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/comment/ambroseevans\\_pritchard/10303285/Romantic-Germany-risks-economic-decline-as-green-dream-spoils.html](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/comment/ambroseevans_pritchard/10303285/Romantic-Germany-risks-economic-decline-as-green-dream-spoils.html)

The Windfarm Disease infecting Britain:  
<http://www.theage.com.au/world/wind-farms-a-disease-says-boris-johnson-20130915-2t61.html>

## **Arctic Ice Confounds Costly Computers**

Six years ago, the British BBC reported dolefully that climate models predicted the disappearance of Arctic Sea ice by 2013. This was supported by Al Gore, Australia's ABC and all the usual alarmists.

Unfortunately for them, Arctic ice now stretches in a continuous sheet from Canada to Russia and twenty yachts that planned to publicise this year's ice-free Arctic are now stuck in the ice.

Arctic ice comes and goes, continually confounding costly computer models.

Gillard's carbon tax, Rudd's emissions trading scheme, Abbott's direct climate action and the Greens' energy targets will have no effect on it.

*For those who would like to read more:*

The original BBC scare-mongering:  
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/7139797.stm>

Recent report on how the Arctic ice cap has grown 60% in a year:  
<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2415191/Global-cooling-Arctic-ice-caps-grows-60-global-warming-predictions.html>

And the Northern Hemisphere snow cover. No alarming losses here:  
<http://www.climate4you.com/SnowCover.htm#Northern%20hemisphere%20weekly%20snow%20cover%20since%201966>

Arctic Sea Ice to Grow as Global Cooling Era Takes Hold:  
<http://www.spaceandscience.net/sitebuildercontent/sitebuilderfiles/ssrcpressrelease42013arcticseaicetogrowasglobalcoolingtakeshold.pdf>

Global Cooling for 15 years in USA:  
<http://www.c3headlines.com/2013/09/the-irrefutable-unequivocal-non-global-warming-trend-continues-as-these-graphs-reveal-the-latest-noaa-temperature-datase.html>

*"If you shut up truth and bury it under the ground, it will but grow, and gather to itself such explosive power that the day it bursts through it will blow up everything in its way".*

EMILE ZOLA

## **Taxing Air**

Ever since life appeared on Earth, it has been nourished by four essential natural atmospheric gases – nitrogen, oxygen, water vapour and carbon dioxide. We breathe these gases every day, and carbon dioxide is the primary plant food that supports all life on earth.

The taxes on carbon dioxide have thus achieved the politicians' dream – taxing the air we breathe and the food we eat.

And it is all for nothing. It is now obvious that:

- we have had most of the warming we could expect from carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
- the warming to date is mostly beneficial for life on earth.
- the increased carbon dioxide is certainly beneficial to all life.
- billions have been totally wasted on this western intellectual insanity.
- we need to sweep away all traces of the climate scare before far more damage is done to our economy, to the cost of living and to the reliability and cost of future electricity supplies.

More reading:

<http://www.breitbart.com/Big-Government/2013/09/14/New-Report-Scales-Back-Global-Warming>

Germany spending \$110 billion to delay global warming by 37 hours:

<http://www.bizpacreview.com/2013/04/01/110-billion-stops-global-warming-just-37-hours-58806>

And to buy a good book entitled "Taxing Air" go to: <http://www.taxingair.com/>

And watch out, taxing sunlight may be next. Spain has levied a tax on those who gather sunlight:

<http://globaleconomicanalysis.blogspot.co.nz/2013/07/spain-levies-consumption-tax-on-sunlight.html>

## **We Have a New Consensus: 99% of Climate Models Overestimated Global warming.**

That's the upshot of [a new study in the journal Nature Climate Change](#) that compared 117 climate predictions made in the 1990's to the actual amount of warming. Out of 117 predictions, the study's author told FoxNews.com, three were roughly accurate and 114 overestimated the amount of warming. On average, the predictions forecasted two times more global warming than actually occurred.

"I looked at 73 climate models going back to 1979 and every single one predicted more warming than happened in the real world."

**- John Christy, a professor of atmospheric science, and director of the Earth System Science Centre at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.**

Read more: <http://www.foxnews.com/science/2013/09/12/climate-models-wildly-overestimated-global-warming-study-finds/>

## **The Last Word**

Australia shows the way by sacking its useless, pointless climate commissioner:

<http://blogs.telegraph.co.uk/news/jamesdelingpole/100236795/australia-shows-us-all-the-way-by-sacking-its-useless-pointless-climate-commissioner-tim-flannery/>

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