



COVER SHEET FOR SUBMISSIONS

2017 review of climate change policies Discussion Paper

Overview	
<p>The Discussion Paper provides an overview of the Government's current climate change policies and invites input from business and the community on how Australia can build on the success of current policies to achieve our 2030 target.</p> <p>To guide input, questions are posed at the end of each section. Stakeholders are encouraged to include a one-page executive summary.</p>	
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Climate Change Policies Review – Discussion Paper submissions

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Sutherland Shire Environment centre is very concerned about the impending effects of climate change on the environment of Sutherland Shire and its residents.

- The IPCC reported that “to provide a 93% mid-value probability of not exceeding [a dangerous post industrial increase of] 2°C, the concentration (of atmospheric greenhouse gases) would need to be stabilised at, or below, 350 ppm CO₂equivalent, that is, below current levels, which means no carbon budget left for 2°C.”

We believe that the Federal government must do much more to avert our impending climate emergency, such as providing funding for 100% clean renewable energy by 2030 instead of spending many billions of dollars each year subsidising the dirty fossil fuel industry.

Zero net greenhouse gas emissions must be achieved well before 2040 to have a fair chance of avoiding dangerous runaway global warming.

We expect our Federal government to act not only in the best interests of the current generation, but also in the interests of generations to come.

Yours sincerely

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