ATTACHMENT 2

Replies from Senators and Members of Parliament with Integrity and Courage to Tell the Truth

My sample letter to all of the following and replies from:

Mr Llew O'Brien MP

Mr Craig Kelly MP

Mr Kevin Andrews MP

Senator Eric Abetz

Mr George Christensen MP

Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells

Mr Bob Katter MP

Senator Pauline Hanson

Senator Gerard Rennick

Please note that former federal MP Dennis Jensen was, at that time, the only scientist in parliament. Prior to entering parliament, he had been a CSIRO employee and while in parliament and after his departure, he had told me many times of his personal disgust at CSIRO's betrayal of science on climate where it had surrendered to being an advocacy group.

Minister Ley's response to Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells provides no logical scientific points and no specific locations of logical points. It relies on logical fallacies including appeals to name/authority.

Her comments about the Chief Scientist's advice are inaccurate and misleading, as discussed in my letter.



19 May 2021

Mr Llew O'Brien, MP Member for Wide Bay PO Box 283 MARYBOROUGH QLD 4650

Dear Mr O'Brien

As a senator for Queensland I am aware that constituents in my state and people across our nation have, for more than two decades, needlessly endured the burdens of high costs of living, unemployment and restricted lifestyles as a result of state and federal energy policies based on unscientific and unsubstantiated claims that human use of hydrocarbon fuels and animal livestock are a threat to climate.

Jobs have been lost and many more are threatened in mining and in supporting services such as transport, manufacturing and especially trade-exposed industries including aluminium smelting and cement making, as well as blue-collar jobs generally.

Alarmingly, farmers and some coastal residents have lost their rights to use their land as a result of national commitments to the United Nations driving Australian and state policies and laws based on unsubstantiated political claims fomenting climate alarm.

On behalf of my constituents I ask whether or not you are aware of the specific location of empirical scientific data within a causal scientific framework proving that carbon dioxide from human activity is a danger or pending danger or threat and needs to be cut. If so, please provide the specific scientific publication(s) title(s), authors' names and page numbers.

If you are not aware of such evidence or have not been made aware of such evidence please advise accordingly to gldsenator.roberts@aph.gov.au

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Parliament House: +61 2 6277 3694

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Yours sincerely

Malcolm Roberts

Senator for Queensland

From: Roberts, Malcolm (Private)
To: O"Brien, Llew (MP)

Cc: Langdon, Sheenagh (Sen M. Roberts)

Subject: FW: Response to correspondence

Date: Wednesday, 20 October 2021 7:51:52 AM

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From: O'Brien, Llew (MP) <Llew.OBrien.MP@aph.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 18 October 2021 4:31 PM

To: Roberts, Malcolm (Senator) <Senator.Roberts@aph.gov.au>

Subject: Response to correspondence

Dear Senator Roberts

Thank you for your letter regarding costs of living, unemployment, restricted lifestyles and the threat to jobs including in mining, transport, and manufacturing industries, caused by claims that humans and livestock animals are a threat to climate.

You ask if I am aware of the specific location of empirical scientific data within a causal scientific framework proving that carbon dioxide from human activity is a danger, or pending danger, or threat, and needs to be cut, and if I am, to provide you with details listing the specific scientific publication(s) title, author's names and page number.

I have not been made aware of the location of any such data and have not been provided with such specific empirical data by any political party.

Yours sincerely

Llew O'Brien MP

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Roberts, Malcolm (Senator)

From: Kelly, Craig (MP)

Sent: Wednesday, 26 May 2021 8:53 PM

To: Roberts, Malcolm (Private)

Dear Senator Roberts,

I confirm that the Liberal Party has never provided any evidence to show that man made CO2 emissions effects the climate and needs to be cut.

Further, in my extensive reading of the science, I have never come across such evidence.

Regards,

Craig



The Hon Kevin Andrews MP

8 October 2021

Senator Malcolm Roberts Senator for Queensland Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Roberts,

I acknowledge your letter of 26 May 2021 and apologies for the delay in responding to you.

You ask if I am aware of "the specific location of empirical scientific data within a causal scientific framework proving that carbon dioxide from human activity is a danger or pending danger or threat or needs to be cut?"

Although I am not a scientist, I am unaware of such data.

KEVIN ANDREWS



PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA - THE SENATE



Senator the Hon
Eric Abetz
Liberal Senator for Tasmania

27 May 2021

Senator Malcolm Roberts
One Nation Senator for Queensland
GPO Box 228
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Senator Roberts,

Your letter of 26/5/21 has been received. You are correct in the observations you make about the impact of climate alarmism on all aspects of our wellbeing as Australians.

My view has been to take an agnostic stance of the issue of human induced climate change noting there are many scientists of good faith who have competing views on the issue of CO₂ emissions from human sources impacting on climate, in combination with a number of other facts – axis tilt of the earth, sun spots and ocean currents.

All that said, I take a common-sense approach which informs me that the less we can emit into our atmosphere, oceans or soils, the better.

However the alarmism of recent decades with "tipping points" that have come and gone allows us, indeed requires us, to take a more level headed approach.

The scientific endeavour of seeking to provide a proven causal link between human release of CO₂ and from animal emissions and potential warming of our planet is a matter which I've requested the Minister for Emissions Reduction to respond. As soon as I have that response I will forward it to you.

Yours sincerely,

Eric Abetz

Liberal Senator for Tasmania

From: Christensen, George (Private)
To: Langdon, Sheenagh (Sen M. Roberts)

Subject: Letter

Date: Wednesday, 29 September 2021 9:39:56 AM

Dear Senator Roberts,

Thank you for writing to me regarding the matters of proof of "anthropogenic climate change".

I can advise that in the 11+ years that I have served as a Member of the House of Representatives, I do not recall one instance where absolute evidence or proof of "anthropogenic climate change" has been provided to me by any government minister, department or agency or any sources external to government.

There have certainly been assertions made that "anthropogenic climate change" is real (alongside alarmist claims that it is potentially catastrophic), but beyond glib statements like "the majority of scientists support the proposition" there has been no iron clad proof ever provided to me.

In fact, a member of the then government agency known as the Climate Commission told me that there was a "five per cent chance" that I could be right about the theory of "anthropogenic climate change" being wrong. I want to highlight the fact that this stunning concession came to me from a Commissioner of the Federal Government agency whose role was to communicate "reliable and authoritative information" about climate change in Australia. I struggle to understand how such an ardent proponent of "anthropogenic climate change" could concede any element of doubt to a scientific claim they believe is as rock solid as the theory of gravity, unless of course it is not as rock solid as that.

I thank you for your query.

Yours sincerely,

George Christensen MP



THE HON SUSSAN LEY MP MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT MEMBER FOR FARRER

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Senator the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells Senator for New South Wales PO Box 886 WOLLONGONG NSW 2520

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Dear Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Thank you for your correspondence of 22 June 2021 to the Minister for Energy and Emissions Reduction, the Hon Angus Taylor MP, concerning the causal scientific framework related to anthropogenic carbon dioxide being a danger or a pending danger. Your correspondence has been referred to me as it falls under my responsibilities as the Minister for the Environment. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The Australian Government accepts the science of climate change. The government receives its primary advice on climate science from the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO). This advice aligns with information provided by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and other national and international organisations, such as the Australian Academy of Science, the World Meteorological Organization, the US National Academy of Sciences and the US National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

These world-leading scientific organisations have found that the Earth's climate is changing and that humans are primarily responsible. These findings are informed by empirical evidence including air temperatures, atmospheric greenhouse gas concentrations, the heat content of the ocean, changes to glaciers, ice sheets and sea ice. For example, the report *State of the Climate 2020*, by BoM and the CSIRO, notes "The rise in atmospheric CO₂ has been caused by emissions from fossil fuel use and land-use changes, leading to increased heat energy in the Earth's climate system." Similarly, the IPCC's 5th Assessment Report notes that "Anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions have increased since the pre-industrial era, driven largely by economic and population growth, and are now higher than ever...Their effects, together with those of other anthropogenic drivers, have been detected throughout the climate system and are extremely likely to have been the dominant cause of the observed warming since the mid-20th century."

These reports are supported by a large body of peer-reviewed scientific literature and multiple lines of scientific evidence. The Australian Academy of Science report *The Science of Climate Change: Questions and Answers* also provides a good summary of this information and responses to many common questions. I have attached a copy of the report for your information. The scientific basis of the human role in climate has also been detailed by Australia's Chief Scientist in response to previous questions from Senator Malcolm Roberts (Attachment B).

Warming of the Earth's lower atmosphere and oceans has continued decade-by-decade over the past 60 years. As the attached documents explain, the magnitude and spatial pattern of the observed warming cannot be explained by alternate hypotheses, such as changes in solar output, internal variability or volcanic activity.

Our decisions about how to approach the risks posed by the effects of CO₂ emissions from human activity must be informed by the best available scientific insights, as summarised by the attached documents and many others.

Thank you again for bringing your concerns to the government's attention.

Yours sincerely

SUSSAN LEY

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Hon Bob Katter MP

11 October 2021

Federal Member for Kennedy

Senator the Hon Malcolm Roberts GPO Box 228 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Senator Roberts,

Thank you for your correspondence of 26 May 2021.

We can confirm that at no time have we received empirical scientific evidence proving the need to cut carbon dioxide from human activity.

We believe that a net zero target would be destructive to the economy, wilderness and wildlife, and the Government should be working toward a future where there are no restrictions on coal mining or coal exporting, and all future power stations should be green, built using zero-emission technology.

Power stations should be built in the north where there is unlimited water and constructed as High Efficiency, Low Emissions (HELE) coal-fired algae-tec power stations.

Farmers have been unfairly targeted in the climate debate and should be the last people to take the fall on achieving net zero.

This country has only two exports: minerals and agriculture and if you can't process the minerals, you can't export it.

Thank you for your enquiry.

Sincerely

Hon Bob Katter MP

Federal Member for Kennedy



21 September 2021

Senator Malcolm Roberts GPO Box 228 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Malcolm

This is to confirm that at no time have I ever received any such empirical scientific evidence proving the need to cut carbon dioxide from human activity.

Sincerely,

Pauline Hanson

Senator for Queensland

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From: Rennick, Gerard (Senator)
To: Roberts, Malcolm (Private)

Subject: Evidence of CO2

Date: Friday, 8 October 2021 11:31:16 AM

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Hi Malcolm

In regards to the alleged human induced climate change:

Whilst I acknowledge that CO2 levels have risen in the last 100 years, I have not received any evidence the increased CO2 traps more photons (the boson that carries radiative energy) and if they do, that any additional heat "trapped inside CO2" isn't then offset by convection which seek to eliminate temperature differential in according with the second law of Thermodynamics which states that "the entropy of a system will always increase."

Hope this helps.

Cheers Gerard



Senator **GERARD RENNICK**

LNP Senator for Queensland

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