

To the Prime Minister,

The people of Australia need you to act on climate change now to ensure the future is safe for all Australians – and our economy remains resilient and prosperous in the decades to come.

Right now, your government is deciding on Australia's next set of climate policies and our 2035 emissions reduction target.

The science is clear and has accurately predicted more frequent and more intense extreme weather events for Australia. This will get worse without sensible leadership to rapidly shift Australia away from expensive climate-heating fossil fuels and to embrace affordable and reliable clean energy.

Your choice is clear. I urge you to set a strong science-informed 2035 emissions reduction target, which requires an 80% emissions reduction by 2035 to be the floor of federal ambition.

This will set the ambition needed to protect Australians from the worst of coal and gas-fuelled extreme fires, floods, droughts and storms that are destroying homes and raising insurance prices – as well as from increasingly expensive coal and gas prices that are raising power bills.

A strong target also sets the ambition needed for Australian businesses to decarbonise and take advantage of the shift to net zero. We have so much to gain from climate action – from cheaper electricity to new trade opportunities.

This is your opportunity to live up to your promise ahead of the 2022 federal election of a legacy of "action on climate".

Please show the leadership Australians want and need.