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Mr John Story AO, FAICD
The Chancellor
University of Queensland (UQ)
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Dear Mr. Story and University Senate:

Re: (1) Formal complaint on behaviour of University Vice Chancellor and employees, and, (2) support for restoring UQ's reputation and advancing science and humanity

This letter provides our university with an opportunity to restore, enhance and protect its reputation and to restore science and address humanitarian and environmental challenges.

As a UQ honours engineering graduate with a University of Chicago MBA, I have UQ's best interests at heart and enclose for your information copies of recent correspondence exchanged with our university's Vice Chancellor. My conclusions are based on eight years of independent research.

I am concerned that Professor Hoegh-Guldberg appears to be in breach of the Queensland Professional Engineers (QPE) Act 2002. If so, that would mean he is in breach of the Public Sector Ethics Act 1994. The UQ Vice Chancellor (ie, CEO) & the Senate could then be in breach of the Public Sector Ethics Act for allowing university staff to be breaching the QPE. John Cook and other staff not registered as professional engineers may similarly be in breach. I am further concerned that the Vice Chancellor's remarks contain clearly and provably false statements. His unsatisfactory responses do not satisfy due process and they make the issue one of integrity. Specifically:

1. Professor Ove Hoegh-Guldberg's court testimony under oath or affirmation contradicts empirical evidence and is outside his field of expertise while purporting himself as an expert. He has previously been made aware of this yet despite having no bona fides in the field he maintains certainty. At the very least he should reasonably be aware that there is substantial evidence and opinion contradicting his view yet he seems to have not expressed the view making his testimony problematic at best. His public statements on climate repeatedly include or imply claims that mislead or exaggerate, misrepresent, are erroneous or contradict empirical evidence. His behaviour appears to be unethical, in breach of Queensland legislation and is clearly unscientific;
2. The Vice Chancellor has advised that United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (UN IPCC) reports contain empirical evidence proving that carbon dioxide from human activity detrimentally affects climate variability. His claim is demonstrably false as documented in my reply and reinforced by the Vice Chancellor's repeated failure to specify the location of evidence proving human causation;
3. The Vice Chancellor supports specific work of UQ employee John Cook despite that work being shown to be an unfounded and erroneous fabrication. In doing so the Vice Chancellor contradicted data from a peer-reviewed paper from international scientists and investigators. He relied instead on unsupported claims from an organisation tarnished with fraudulent behaviour and theft admitted by one its senior members and with apparent conflicts of interest among its review panel.

After advice from the state ministry for Housing and Public Works, state Attorney General's department and the Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland I have lodged a complaint with the latter about Professor Hoegh-Guldberg's court testimony as an expert witness.

I remind you that based on his internal inquiries, then Vice Chancellor Paul Greenfield dismissed my complaint to you dated 10th November 2010. He was later dismissed reportedly for breaches of ethics in another unrelated matter. Yet my complaint was not reopened. Had the Senate independently investigated my 2010 complaint I am confident that recent events would not have been allowed.

Instead, it appears likely that after UQ condoned Professor Hoegh-Guldberg's 2010 misrepresentation and distortion of science, UQ staff would likely be emboldened to continue their unethical and unscientific behaviour contradicting empirical evidence. Is your behaviour culpable in condoning and encouraging breaches of science and ethics? What impact would that have on UQ indemnity insurance if Adani Mining were to complain? UQ is now again suffering from its breach of due process.

It is of deep concern because it reveals dishonesty, or wilful negligence or incompetence or combinations of these occurring at UQ. It is not clear whether the Vice Chancellor has been misled within UQ or has established a policy leading to systemic corruption of climate science.

Science is decided by empirical evidence. When held accountable, UQ staff dodge evidence of causation and imply it exists—somewhere. When pressed, they hide behind false and misleading fabrications of 'consensus', appeal to authority, imply peer-review without scientific evidence, cite cherry-picked and manipulated data out of context, make unfounded scary projections, hide behind emotional statements, smear those presenting empirical evidence, make emotive statements, rely on erroneous and unvalidated computerised numerical models and/or invoke morality. Cleverly, these sound like science yet are not. That a Vice Chancellor with science qualifications accepts such is inexcusable. As an engineering graduate from UQ I am concerned for our university's future.

The accompanying copy of my letters confirms that empirical evidence has been given to the Vice Chancellor. Its significance is summarised succinctly on pages 9-11 of the enclosed report while the context of Professor Hoegh-Guldberg's misrepresentations is presented on pages 7-8, 13-17 and 19-23. A copy of the report is enclosed and is available at: <http://ow.ly/JO5GM>

Accompanying documents are listed. More documents associated with concurrent complaints to the Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland, UQ Integrity and Investigation Unit and the Australian Research Council are available at www.climate.conscious.com.au/empiricalah.html. This can be accessed through "*Formal complaints on behaviour of staff and Vice Chancellor at University of Queensland*" available at <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au>

A former UQ donor with plans to donate ten million dollars to UQ science advises that he cancelled plans and advised philanthropist friends to cancel their similar plans to donate to UQ. I am advised that the philanthropist and his wife independently advised UQ of such in writing some years ago.

My experience with the current Vice Chancellor, Professor Hoegh-Guldberg and John Cook raise the likelihood that on the topic of climate, our university suffers from systemic, entrenched abandonment of science and scientific principles.

I have addressed these serious issues comprehensively and remain available to meet with you, Justice Daubney, the senate and UQ lawyers. I am available to assist you in restoring scientific integrity.

I hope you are committed to our university and to our state of Queensland. If so I respectfully request that you initiate a transparent, independent investigation of this matter and then enact measures to prevent recurrence and to ensure UQ abides by Queensland legislation and scientific responsibilities.

Yours sincerely,

Originals personally signed

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cc: Hon Justice Martin Daubney, Supreme Court Chambers and UQ Senate member; relevant Queensland and federal Ministers; Queensland Premier, Attorney General and Opposition Leader; Those copied on previous correspondence with UQ Vice Chancellor

List of accompanying documents

- My qualifications relevant to this complaint (2 pages)
- Land and Resources Tribunal Queensland ruling 15 February 2007 (Sutton Creek mine) – My summary (1 page) and separate copy of tribunal decision. (7 pages)
- Summary of the empirical evidence on climate relevant to Professor Hoegh-Guldberg's core claim that carbon dioxide from human activity causes damaging effects including claimed global warming and climate variability including climate change. Professor Hoegh-Guldberg's repeated core claim of human causation clearly contradicts empirical evidence. (6 pages)
- Written interaction with Professor Hoegh-Guldberg. (4 pages)
- **Email correspondence in 2015 with UQ Vice Chancellor. (32 pages)**
 - **Initial letters between me and our university dated 24 April, 25 April, 11 May, 21 May available at:** <http://www.galileomovement.com.au/docs/UQcorrespondence.pdf>
 - **My email 29 May available at:** <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au/docs/EmailPyne27MayUQVC.pdf>
 - **Vice Chancellor's email 1 July available at:** <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au/docs/UQVCreplyJuly1.pdf>
 - **My email 20 July available at:** <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au/docs/Email20July2015.pdf>
- February 2015 report entitled *False Claims Reveal Hidden Opportunities*. This report was prepared for Senator Simon Birmingham and The Hon Bob Baldwin MHR in response to correspondence from Senator Birmingham. They both served in turn as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment, Greg Hunt. Pages 7-8 and 19-23 provide context for the UN's misrepresentation of climate upon which Professor Hoegh-Guldberg relies. The report is available at: <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au/SBbboh.html> or <http://ow.ly/JO5GM> (36 pages)
- Appendix 2 of my report entitled *CSIROh! Climate of Deception? or First Step to Freedom?* written in response to an invitation from ABC-Radio Brisbane compere Steve Austin to assess a CSIRO climate report. I recommend for your benefit and for our university's benefit that you become familiar with this appendix's contents. (53 pages) Other appendices and the report itself are available at <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au/CSIROh!.html>

Other, comprehensive documents and my 2010 correspondence with you, the Senate, the previous Vice Chancellor and Professor Hoegh-Guldberg are provided at www.climate.conscious.com.au/empiricaloh.html This can be accessed through "**Formal complaints on behaviour of staff and Vice Chancellor at University of Queensland**" at <http://www.climate.conscious.com.au>.