

Monday, 8 December, 2014

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Dear Messrs Nasser, McKenzie, Walsh, Boyce, Glasenberg, Cutifane:

Re: Ending the war on coal

After my 30 years of successfully leading change in the coal industry, I am perplexed by some industry leaders' harmful appeasement of misinformed activists and politicians on 'climate' policy. Australian Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) temperature data reveal that 1860-1890 was warmer than today.¹ Global temperatures have shown no statistically significant warming for the last 18 years despite record human production of carbon dioxide (CO₂).² Claims by the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (UN IPCC) that human production of carbon dioxide causes global warming have been proven to be based on unscientific manipulations and fabrications and are false.³ They have no supporting empirical scientific evidence and actually contradict such evidence. Respected business leader Maurice Newman publicly discusses UN IPCC corruption.⁴

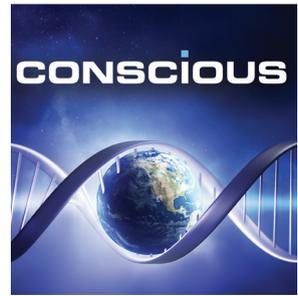
Carbon dioxide is not causing the natural climate variability we are experiencing yet some coal industry leaders are still endorsing crippling penalties based on misrepresented science claiming that coal combustion is a major cause of climate change. The result of this attitude and lack of action to combat the corrupted science has been public demonisation of coal. Extremists and politicians now target coal ports and drive disinvestment. The NSW state government recently rejected Drayton South Mine costing 500 people their livelihood. This war on coal has escalated to major international banks refusing to provide loans to coal developers and producers. Anti-coal ideologists are broadening campaigns by contradicting

1 For global temperatures generally see www.nipccreport.org. For BOM specifically see Appendix 7 of my *CSIROh!* report at www.conscious.com.au. Click the green icon and then the aqua-coloured statement "List of appendices to the report" beside the white *CSIROh!* cover.

2 www.drroyspencer.com NASA Team Leader presents satellite data. *CSIROh!* Appendix 4 presenting empirical scientific evidence cites many data sources and scientists.

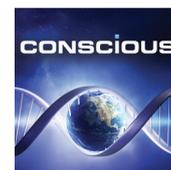
3 Canadian climatologist Tim Ball's book *The Deliberate Corruption of Climate Science* www.drball.com & *CSIROh!* Appendix 2.

4 *Inconvenient truths ignored by the climate propaganda machine*, 07.11.14, The Australian newspaper.



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empirical scientific evidence to emotively imply the coal industry is endangering survival of the Great Barrier Reef.⁵ Climate claims against coal are now being woven through many 'environmental' protests. Beneficiaries include vested interests living off political solar and wind subsidies, uranium producers and ironically, producers of oil and shale gas whose combustion produces CO₂.

History and modern electricity generation prove coal is an environmental saviour not destroyer. My recent work in India confirmed for me that coal is one of the world's most important protectors of humanity. It is essential for meeting Indian Prime Minister Modi's goal of national electrification that will raise hundreds of millions of people from poverty through affordable energy, without affecting climate. Prosperity leads to decreased population growth and is vital for protecting our natural environment because impoverished people have no resources to apply to caring for their surroundings.

Yet, Mr. Nasser, last month on Australian radio I heard you say that you and BHP "accept the IPCC's assessment of climate change science".⁶ In September, Rio Tinto's Chief Executive of Energy Harry Kenyon-Slaney contradicted empirical scientific evidence and advocated measures reducing coal's competitiveness.⁷ The Minerals Council of Australia's booklet *Coal Hard Facts* makes false and unfounded statements contradicting scientific evidence and blaming coal for affecting global climate. Why aren't all coal companies uniting to expose climate fraud so they can stop wasting time pandering to misinformed activists, ideologues and politicians and get back to producing coal?

Driven by my need for truth, for seven years I have independently investigated climate science. My resulting body of knowledge has been described as the most comprehensive practical resource compiling scientific evidence and revealing UN panelists' manipulation and corruption. As part of my investigation, I requested CSIRO and BOM executives to provide empirical scientific evidence that human CO₂ changes global climate. None of their responses provide such evidence. Uniquely, responses from both agencies to my requests made under *Freedom of Information* (FOI) provisions confirm neither CSIRO's Chief Executive nor anyone in BOM have given such evidence to federal ministers.⁸ BOM provided updates and one report. All cite false UN IPCC claims and contain no evidence of human cause. Yet climate ministers state that policy is based on BOM and CSIRO advice.

My MBA study of Statistical Process Control at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business enabled me to develop practical methods and systems for applying statistics that assisted me in doubling productivity at several mines in Australia and overseas. My analysis of climate confirms conclusions of many leading climate scientists that empirical data on temperature, precipitation, droughts, floods, storms and all global and national climate indicators reveal only natural cyclical variability since 1860. There is no evidence of process change due to human activity.⁹ My qualifications and background are at Malcolm Ieuan Roberts on LinkedIn. Extensive evidence backing these conclusions and references are cited at my website www.conscious.com.au.

5 *Reef threatened by do-gooding, not fishing and mining*, 04.06.12, & *Workers party on a bender with its clean, green agenda*, 21.12.13, The Australian.

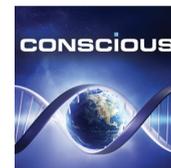
6 ABC radio & TV transcripts, newspapers and BHP Annual Report, 2014.

7 *Get real on climate change, says Rio Tinto energy chief*, 09.09.14, The Australian.

8 *CSIROh!* Appendices 6, 6a & 7. FOI responses by clicking "Exchanges of letters ...".

9 www.nipccreport.org & *CSIROh!* Appendix 4.

*Coal is one
of the world's
most important
protectors of
humanity.*



I empathise with your challenge of facing misinformed protestors using media, propaganda and politics to overwhelm reason and facts. Appeasement though, relieves these activists from accountability. Instead, my three decades of coal mining management and executive leadership experience confirm it is much more effective to meet challenges directly with strength, integrity and authenticity. This was demonstrated by Rio's Leigh Clifford whose leadership freed the Hunter Valley coal industry in the 1990's. Peabody Energy Chairman Gregory Boyce demonstrates strength in his campaign to rescind the American EPA's unscientific regulations. He reinforces that cheap, reliable, plentiful, environmentally responsible electricity from coal overwhelmingly benefits humanity as well as our precious natural environment. It is demonstrated by former Queensland Treasurer and former Macarthur Coal Chairman Keith Delacy⁵ and Queensland state Environment Minister Andrew Powell bluntly exposing tactics and damage by ideologists and activists. Messrs Clifford, Delacy, Modi, Newman, and Powell are not following; they are leaders who reset the agenda.

The problem is not coal. I would like to assist you, as the coal industry's leaders, to reverse this destructive war on coal. I request a meeting with you individually or together, to have the opportunity to show you that there is no need to accept and follow a politically driven and incorrect assessment falsely condemning our industry. If desired I can bring internationally eminent climate scientists familiar with UN IPCC corruption.

I am sure you agree that we all have an ethical duty to understand the facts, leading to a moral duty to share the facts, and a fiduciary duty to support the facts with honest words and actions. I offer my services and support for ending the war on coal and creating prosperity for developing nations, your people and your shareholders.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Malcolm Roberts'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Malcolm Roberts

ccs: See overleaf.

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directly with
strength, integrity
and authenticity.*

Copies to people named in this letter

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Chairman, Australian Prime Minister's Business Advisory Council

Mr. Keith Delacy
Former Chairman Macarthur Coal and Queensland Treasurer

Mr. Leigh Clifford AO
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Mr. Andrew Powell
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Mr. Dean Dalla Valle
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- Yancoal

