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6 March 2015

Dr. Fiona Wild,
BHP Billiton Limited,
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Dear Dr. Wild,

Re: BHP Billiton and Climate Change

It must be difficult for you as a real scientist to hold forth on the politically-correct view of global warming and to recommend to your Board the totally futile spending of \$millions simply to make the Company look good in the eyes of the Government and the UN. Most of the public is already aware that all moneys spent on attempts to stabilise the global climate could be more fruitfully applied elsewhere.

As a long-time BHP shareholder I find it disappointing that you are not spending your energies and \$millions, on educating the Government, the Board and the public media.

Your Company is a major coal producer and it is incomprehensible that it should capitulate to the pressure of extreme “green” environmentalists who are doing their utmost to put coal mining companies out of business.

You must surely be getting arguments from the Company’s Geologists and Mining Engineers who are, through their education, well aware that the earth’s climate has always changed and that there is nothing unnatural about the slight warming of the end of last century that could be attributed to mankind.

As you well know, there is absolutely no empirical evidence that the CO₂ added to the atmosphere by the combustion of fossil fuels has any influence (neither warming nor cooling) on our atmosphere. There have been ice ages while the atmospheric CO₂ levels were many times higher than today’s and that historically, warming has preceded an increase in CO₂ concentrations.

Furthermore, the demonization of CO₂ as a “toxic pollutant” must be publicly resisted, seeing it is a natural and totally essential component of the earth’s atmosphere.

Dr. Wild, you are in an excellent position to help correct the delusion that our CO₂ emissions must be curbed. Please do whatever you can to prevent the wasting of valuable resources on the imaginary threat of catastrophic anthropogenic climate change.

Sincerely,

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