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The Carbon Sense Coalition today called for an end to wasteful spending on attempts to change the climate by taxing and rationing carbon.

The Chairman of 'Carbon Sense', Mr Viv Forbes, said that man will never control climate.

'Noah did not blame cooking fires for the flood ? he built a boat before the rain came?.'

Forbes explained:

'It's time to stop wasting money trying to control the climate ? this will be no more successful than slaughtering sacrificial goats, even if tax payers and electricity consumers are to be the goats.'

'Man will never control the climate. Wealthy societies can and do improve their local environments of air, land and water. But to think that trading carbon credits, taxing carbon, or subsidising carbon geo-sequestration, wind towers or ethanol production will improve our climate is delusional.'

'Temperature forecasts from the many climate models continue to disagree and be proven wrong ? they cannot predict next month's weather let alone next century's climate. Earth history shows that hungry global cooling is just as likely as benign global warming. No matter what computer models say, we will do what generations of our ancestors did ? adapt and make the best of whatever Mother Nature deals up.'

'We will always have extreme weather and natural disasters ? floods, droughts, earthquakes, bush fires, heat waves, blizzards, cyclones and storms have been part of the human experience since the flood of Noah and the earthquake of Jericho.'

'However, like pagans of old, power seeking politicians advocate sacrifice of jobs, assets and industries to appease the climate god.'

'Sensible people prepare to cope with calamities. Instead of wasting billions on vain attempts to prevent a rainy day, it is cheaper and more effective to just buy an umbrella.'

'The first need in any natural disaster is disaster proof infrastructure and equipment that can be called in to help the threatened area ? flood proof roads, railways and airstrips plus

helicopters, bull dozers, fire trucks, tents, bedding, trained emergency manpower and adequate stored food and water. Only a strong economy can afford such preparedness.?

Our advice for today's climate alarmists is:

?It is better to be rich and prepared for anything, than to be poor and overwhelmed by everything?.

Making Things still Matters.

Climatism and green tape are strangling productive enterprise in Australia. We are starting to resemble an overhead in search of an income.

The climax of warmist silliness is the proposed Citizens' Climate Assembly which will hold several gabfests and draft a long wish list of contradictory conclusions. This report will be filed in the big cabinet with the IPCC, CSIRO, Stern and Garnaut scare stories and the travelogue reports on the many climate excursions to Copenhagen, Bali, Rio, Kyoto and other hardship locations.

Innovators in Australia are now preoccupied with making innovative submissions to ensure they get on the receiving end and not the extraction end of the Big Carbon Redistribution Schemes. Everyone wants a share of the green subsidies without paying a share of the green taxes.

All the time, expanding Marine Parks are strangling the fishing industry, forests are turning into National Parks, handcuffed graziers are watching protected scrub and carbon forests smother their grasslands, cultivated cropping land is diverted to producing bio-fuels for cars, irrigators are denied water, landowners may not build on their land, mineral explorers flee overseas to escape Australian taxes and red tape, while politicians debate how quickly they can close our coal mines and power stations.

Only a rich pampered society like Australia could countenance such widespread destruction and silliness. For most of the world, life is a daily battle for food to eat and energy for warmth, lighting and cooking.

Since the days of the wool boom and the gold rush, Australia has always survived by making the raw materials essential to civilised life. Our future does not depend on our ability to manufacture red tape, invent climate models, trade carbon credits or to run a Citizens' Assembly ? we will rely, as we always have, on our creators of primary wealth ? miners, farmers, foresters and fishermen and those who process or add value to their products and service their needs.

Every new tax on these people, every no-go zone and every bit of green tape reduces our ability to pay our way, provide for our dependants, support our bureaucracy and afford the luxury of environmental care and concern.

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