

To whom it may concern,

Climate change is already impacting many aspects of our lifestyle. For example, this summer the extreme heat limited the amount of time we spent outdoors (we live in Perth). We have an enjoyable and unique lifestyle in Australia which is highly dependent on our climate. I hope we can retain this lifestyle, not just for my own children, but for everyone (flora and fauna included!).

It seems to me the most effective way to reduce the impacts of climate change is to set strong, science-based targets to reduce greenhouse pollution by at least 30 per cent by 2020. A 30 per cent reduction in greenhouse pollution by 2020 will cost only 80 cents a day for each Australian, according to research by the economists McKinsey. I urge Australia to adopt this target.

Yours sincerely,  
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