

Dear Sir/Madam

Public Forum 5: Transport, Planning and the Built Environment

As you may be aware, the Australian Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments have commissioned Professor Ross Garnaut to undertake the Garnaut Climate Change Review.

The Garnaut Climate Change Review – covering similar ground to the United Kingdom’s Stern Review, but with a focus on Australia – will examine the impacts of climate change on the Australian economy, and recommend mid-term to long-term policies to achieve sustainable prosperity in the context of tendencies towards human-induced global warming.

On 19 February 2008, Professor Ross Garnaut will host the fifth public forum of the Garnaut Climate Change Review, titled *Transport, Planning and the Built Environment*. These public forums are designed to provide opportunities to discuss research and policy challenges posed by climate change at regional, national and international levels. They are an opportunity for experts and the public to contribute to the work of the Review.

The forum will explore government policies in the areas of land use and urban planning, design and construction of the built environment, and transportation networks. In particular, the forum will examine:

- The emissions profile of Australian cities relative to other cities around the world, and the underlying determinants of this;
- Potential policies to facilitate greater abatement and adaptation measures in the design and construction of the built environment;
- The possible inclusion of the transportation sector in an Emissions Trading Scheme;
- Other failures in the market provision of transportation options for both the passenger and freight; and
- Considerations of equity issues, including the potential adverse impact of a carbon constraint on transport and housing options for low income households.

Please refer to the attached programme for further details.

You are invited to attend this forum on Tuesday 19 February from 8:30am - 4.00pm in the State Library Theatre, Alexander Library Building, Perth Cultural Centre, Perth.

Please be aware that seats are limited and RSVP is essential. Please RSVP by emailing the Secretariat at contactus@garnautreview.org.au with 'Forum 5 RSVP' in the subject line and your name, position title and organisation in the body of your email by close of business Tuesday 12 February.

This is a public forum so please feel free to forward this invitation on to your colleagues as appropriate.

The final programme and other relevant information will be made available on the Garnaut Climate Change Review website at <http://www.garnautreview.org.au> closer to the forum date. For further information, please contact the Secretariat by emailing contactus@garnautreview.org.au.

Garnaut Climate Change Review Secretariat

Transport Planning and the Built Environment

–State Library Theatre, Perth, Tuesday 19 February 2008–

8.30 – 8.45	REGISTRATION – tea & coffee available on arrival
8.45 – 9.00	Introduction and Overview Professor Ross Garnaut Garnaut Climate Change Review
9.00 – 9.15	Welcome from Host The Hon David Templeman WA Minister for Climate Change MLA
9.15 – 10.45	Session 1: Adaptation and Mitigation in Planning and the Built Environment Cities, transport and greenhouse gas emissions: What does the evidence tell us? Dr Paul Mees Senior Lecturer, Transport and Planning, University of Melbourne Building energy efficiency and greenhouse gas abatement Kerry Barwise Director, Centre for International Economics Renewable City: Mitigation and adaptation as challenge of urban innovation and development Professor Peter Droege Director, epolis
10.45 – 11.00	MORNING TEA
11.00 – 2.00	Session 2: Mitigation Policies in the Transport Sector Transport - greenhouse gas abatement opportunities Richard Begley Senior Consultant, ACIL Tasman Reducing greenhouse emissions: is more public transport one answer? Professor Fred Affleck Office of Research and Development, Curtin University We are all responsible – Why correcting consumer information failure (TravelSmart/ Living Smart) could be the ‘easy’ 5% of Australia’s greenhouse gas abatement Colin Ashton-Graham Project Leader, Travelsmart, WA Department of Planning and Infrastructure
12.30 – 1.30	BREAK The Freight Transport Task Mark McKenzie Director, Rare Consulting Neil Wong Senior Manager Environment, National Transport Commission
2.00 – 3.00	Session 3: Equity Issues in planning and transport policy Mitigation, Adaptation and Equity: Do we have the capacity to fairly manage our urban climate change response? Dr Jago Dodson Research Fellow, Urban Research Project, Griffith University Equity Issues in Climate Change Responses Professor Graham Currie Chair of Public Transport, Institute of Transport Studies, Monash University
3.00 – 3.30	Panel Discussion
3.30 – 3.45	Closing Remarks Professor Ross Garnaut Garnaut Climate Change Review