

Notes

The final report of the Garnaut Climate Change Review (referred to throughout this book as ‘the 2008 Review’) was published by Cambridge University Press in 2008. The update to the Review, commissioned in November 2010, produced a series of eight papers on developments since 2008 and two supplementary notes, released between February and May 2011. Their titles are as follows:

Update papers (released in February and March 2011)

- 1: *Weighing the costs and benefits of climate change action*
- 2: *Progress towards effective global action on climate change*
- 3: *Global emissions trends*
- 4: *Transforming rural land use*
- 5: *The science of climate change*
- 6: *Carbon pricing and reducing Australia’s emissions*
- 7: *Low emissions technology and the innovation challenge*
- 8: *Transforming the electricity sector*

Supplementary notes (released on 31 May 2011)

A 10-year plan for carbon pricing revenue

Governance arrangements for Australia’s carbon pricing scheme

These materials underpin this book and provide further discussion and detail supporting the analysis. A number of commissioned reports also support the 2008 Review and the update.

The 2008 Review, the update papers and supplementary notes, the commissioned reports, and this book are all available at www.garnautreview.org.au.

Unless otherwise stated, all dollar amounts in this book are in Australian dollars.

Introduction

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xi *I asked two leading Australian econometricians*

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xi *Since 2008, advances in climate change science*

It is quite a challenge now simultaneously to respect objective truth and to assert that there is no warming trend. A respected member of the Australian Academy of Social Sciences rose to this challenge in criticism of update paper 1, and a retiring senator for South Australia and former finance minister in criticism of update paper 2. The former's case depended on disputing the reliability of the data, and ignored the observation of glaciers, sea-level rise and changes in locations of plants and animals that do not depend on measurement of temperature. The latter seems not to have felt the need to provide any support for an argument that runs against strong intellectual authority. See D. Aitken 2011, 'Reflections on Ross Garnaut's Cunningham Lecture', *Dialogue* 30(1): 67–71; J. Thompson, 'Minchin ups stakes in carbon war', *ABC Online*, www.abc.net.au, 11 March 2011.

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Chapter 1: Beyond reasonable doubt

This chapter also draws on update paper 5.

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1 *The vast majority of those*

A number of studies have analysed the level of agreement among scientists that climate change is due largely to human activities, and the credibility of scientists taking different positions on climate change. Professor Murray Goot, Department of Politics and International Relations, Macquarie University, conducted a review of the extent to

which the major studies demonstrated agreement among credible scientists. The review found that a range of types of evidence demonstrated that most scientists accept that human activity is a significant factor contributing to rising global temperatures. The results of the review are detailed in the following reports prepared in 2011 by Murray Goot for the Garnaut Review 2011 update: *Anthropogenic climate change: expert credibility and the scientific consensus*; *The 'scientific consensus on climate change': Doran and Zimmerman revisited*; and *Climate scientists and the consensus on climate change: the Bray and von Storch surveys, 1996–2008*.

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Chapter 2: Carbon after the Great Crash

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29 *Some models suggest ... Other models indicate*

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and Reform Commission circular released in May 2010 stated that enterprises with high electricity use in certain industries, including aluminium, steel and cement, would be subject to surcharges of RMB 0.1 per kilowatt hour or RMB 0.3 per kilowatt hour, depending on levels of electricity use. These surcharges are equivalent to costs of around \$19 and \$57 respectively per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent. Estimates are based on exchange rates current at May 2011 and a carbon intensity of energy of 0.745 tonnes carbon dioxide per megawatt hour. Provincial governments are responsible for implementation of the surcharges. National Development and Reform Commission 2010, *Circular on abolishing preferential electricity price for high energy-consuming enterprises*, NDRC No. 978 2010; International Energy Agency 2010, *CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion 2010*.

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79 *Other modelling has found*

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