

Tuesday 17 March 2015

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Dear Messrs. Nasser, Mackenzie and Henry:

Re: Ending the war on hydrocarbons including coal

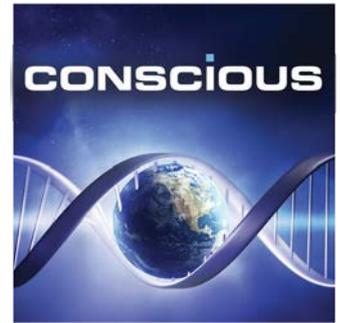
Thank you for your 20 January 2015 reply to my letter dated 8 December 2014. I'm delighted that you acknowledge coal's overwhelming humanitarian benefits.

As you know, BHP's rich history shines with engineering accomplishments, the spirit of national and technological pioneers and the example of leaders having the integrity and courage of their convictions. In that light I see as illogical and hypocritical the contradictions between your claim that "*We remain confident in the long-term outlook for all of our products in our core portfolio*" of which "*coal is a key pillar*" and your statement "*we are also committed to taking action to address climate change*" which the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) incorrectly says is due to the use of hydrocarbons. You have a difficult challenge in managing fabrications spread by extremists, a diminishing yet vocal Greens political rump, the media and activists such as Ian Dunlop manipulating shareholders' ignorance in an attempt to get on your board. I empathise with your position though and that is why I suggest the answer is to get the facts and then publicly advocate the truth.

We all know that hydrocarbons are not the demons that extremists are conjuring. Therefore, it is regrettable to read that you accept the UN IPCC's climate change claims despite the "*diverse views around the IPCC's process and findings*" that you point out in your reply. My previous letter referenced documented evidence proving that reports by the UN IPCC were manipulated and its processes shown to violate peer-review to purposefully present the wrong conclusion. It contradicts the empirical scientific evidence that CO₂ from human activity cannot and is not causing the natural cyclical climate variability we experience on earth.

Yet you revealed in your reply that BHP's leaders still give so much credence to the UN IPCC reports that your planning and investment decisions are being based on scenarios developed using these false UN IPCC claims. Any shift away from production of hydrocarbons indicated by these scenarios will restrict supply of affordable energy to the world's people while also pointlessly destroying our industry for purely political purposes and hurting BHP's shareholders and people.

I find it incomprehensible that BHP's leaders make significant statements contrary to the facts. Your trust in the UN IPCC's report is misplaced. Please refer to the enclosed four-page extract from my report of 27 February 2015 to The Hon Bob Baldwin MP and Senator Simon Birmingham in response to a letter from Senator Birmingham. The full report presents seven years' independent investigation by succinctly summarising climate data and science, revealing the UN IPCC's misrepresentations, motives and unwitting accomplices, and detailing the costs to nations and industry. It includes supporting references and is at <http://ow.ly/JO5GM>. The ultimate arbiter of science is honest, rigorous statistical analysis of observed data, not unvalidated and erroneous computerised numerical modeling, fabricated consensus or the appeals to authority upon which your letter relies.



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My report explains the rigorous, widely consultative and exhaustive processes that I used before concluding that the UN IPCC has no empirical scientific evidence for its claim and has never presented any such evidence, that the UN IPCC actually contradicts empirical evidence, and that its politically driven claims are false and rely on misrepresentations to mislead. The UN IPCC is a thoroughly corrupt organisation.

Specifically, and to be clear about the documented extensive corruption of climate science by the UN IPCC's reports, please refer to Appendix 2 (<http://bit.ly/1snwKVB>) of my 2013 *CSIROh!* report and in particular to that appendix's section 15 pages 28-41, section 2 pages 7-11 and section 1 pages 4-6. As with all my work, it relies on publicly available facts including data and figures from the UN IPCC itself and factually supported expert opinions from climate scientists familiar with, and in many cases part of, the UN IPCC's reporting processes. My report's appendices 6, 6a and 7 document the misrepresentations by a small group of CSIRO and Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) executives closely connected with the UN IPCC. If you perceive any material errors in my work please specify.

Given your statement that *"this position and our actions on climate change are underpinned by a robust understanding of climate science,"* it should be simple for you to send me the exact location in the UN IPCC's reports of the data and analyses that you think proves CO₂ from human activity changes global climate. I request references to the *specific* location of *specific* empirical scientific evidence that justifies your commitment to taking action to address climate variability. If you cannot do so, I would expect to see a retraction of your endorsement of the UN IPCC report, production of as much coal, oil and natural gas as possible and an end to the 'politically correct' rhetoric meant to assuage the politically driven guilt around combustion of hydrocarbons that are falsely accused of harming our planet.

Your letter's internal contradictions emphasise the ridiculous position in which BHP has been placed and I suggest that the empirical scientific evidence on global climate, CO₂ and temperatures justifies and reinforces pride in being a hydrocarbon user and producer. When combined with extensive documentation of UN IPCC falsification of science, it highlights the need for BHP directors to do their due diligence and take action to protect BHP and our industry from unnecessary destructive legislation and taxation by publicly speaking against the UN IPCC's misrepresentations.

Any efforts made to try and stop the earth's natural climate variability are wasting shareholder funds, human resources and capital. These resources could be used to fulfill BHP directors' duty to maximise company value, to ensure corporate social responsibility and to care for your people. I would like the opportunity to assist you in maximising the value of your company and of our industry. As stated in my previous letter, I offer my independent services – including my extensive body of work investigating climate science – to stop this war on hydrocarbons and to improve operational productivity so more people globally can enjoy coal's benefits to our natural environment and to humanity.

Yours sincerely,

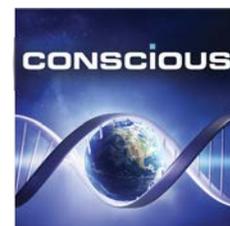
Original signed personally

Malcolm Roberts

Encl: Extract of report to The Hon Bob Baldwin MP and Senator Simon Birmingham

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To be posted at <http://bit.ly/1G223XO> for other coal industry leaders' future access



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