



# Media Release

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### **Government should stop fabricating costings and come clean on ETS**

Penny Wong's release of a fabricated Coalition policy with phantom costings is the act of a desperate government and a warning of the mother-of-all scare campaigns to come by the Rudd Labor Government.

They have used departmental resources to trump up and cost a policy they haven't seen, yet they won't release their own costings for a go-it-alone emissions trading scheme (ETS) or the Morgan Stanley report into the impact of the ETS on electricity costs and electricity security.

Australians have a right to know how Mr Rudd's ETS will impact on their lives.

The Government seems ashamed of its ETS.

Since Copenhagen, they have failed to explain the impact of their great big tax at a time when the prospect of a United States' system seems more and more remote.

It's time for the Government to govern.

Rather than doing phantom costs of fabricated policies they should use their departmental resources to explain the costs of an ETS without a comparable US scheme and be up-front about the impact of the actual 1,300 pages of legislation and 300 pages of regulations that they may or may not re-introduce into Parliament next week.

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