



# ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS

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GRANT	PURPOSE	FUNDING BODY
<b>Clean Energy Initiative</b>	\$4.5 million to support leading edge technology, research and development to assist Australia's transition to a lower emissions path. <a href="http://www.ret.gov.au">www.ret.gov.au</a> <a href="http://www.innovation.gov.au">www.innovation.gov.au</a>	Dept of Resources, Energy and Tourism. Dept of Innovation Industry, Science and Research.
<b>Renewals Australia</b>	\$465 million to support leading-edge renewable technology research development. It will support the demonstration of renewable technologies to market at acceptable cost, and will support growth in skills and gain the capacity for domestic and international markets. <a href="http://www.ret.gov.au">www.ret.gov.au</a> <a href="http://www.innovation.gov.au">www.innovation.gov.au</a>	Dept of Resources, Energy and Tourism. Dept of Innovation Industry, Science and Research.
<b>Solar Flagship Program</b>	\$1.5 billion to set a target to create an additional 1000 megawatts of solar power generation capacity in Australia. <a href="http://www.ret.gov.au">www.ret.gov.au</a> <a href="http://www.innovation.gov.au">www.innovation.gov.au</a>	Dept of Resources, Energy and Tourism. Dept of Innovation Industry, Science and Research.
<b>Carbon Capture and Storage Flagship Program</b>	\$4.2 billion to complement the National Low Emissions Coal Initiatives and the creation of the Global Carbon Capture and Storage Initiative. The government will ensure Australia continues to be a world leader in the development of this technology, by supporting the demonstration of large, industrial scale projects in Australia.	Dept of Resources, Energy and Tourism. Dept of Innovation Industry, Science and Research.
<b>National Energy Efficiency Initiatives</b>	\$100 million. By combining broadband with intelligent grid technology and smart meters in homes, this project will enable greater energy efficiency and better integration of renewable energy sources, such as solar and wind power. Funding will be provided to a consortium of state and local government, public and private sector investors for the large scale demonstration of integrated smart grid technologies. This initiative builds on the Government's investment in the National Broadband Network, household energy efficiency and renewable energy Home Package that provides rebates for the installation and solar hot water systems, the new Solar Credit Scheme supporting home micro generation and the expanded Solar Cities Program. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Department of the Environment, Water, Population and Communities
<b>Climate Change Action Fund</b>	\$2.7 billion to provide targeted assistance (to business, community sector organisations, workers, regions and communities,) to help them to smooth the transition to a low pollution economy. To better inform and position businesses, industries and communities for the impacts of a low carbon economy. In advance of the introduction for the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme, \$200m have been committed to support businesses and community sectors to take early action in identifying energy efficiency opportunities and to invest in energy improvements. Funding of \$2.5 million in 2008-09 will support program design activities in the Department of Climate Change and the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/cc-action-">www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/cc-action-</a>	Department of Climate Change  The 2009-10 tranche of \$200m includes up to \$100m for Early Action Energy Efficiency Strategies for Businesses and \$80m for capital investment grants for businesses and

	<a href="#">fund.aspx</a>	NFPs.
<b>NSW Climate Change Fund</b>	\$28.7 million to 50 projects saving more than 200,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions . <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/cc-action-fund.aspx">www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/cc-action-fund.aspx</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy efficiency
<b>Retooling for Climate Change</b>	Offers dollar for dollar grants from \$500 to \$10,000 to help small and medium Australian manufacturers to improve the energy and or water efficiency of their production processes. The aim is to support a sustainable manufacturing sector. <a href="http://www.usindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/Re-ToolingforClimateChange">www.usindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/Re-ToolingforClimateChange</a>	<i>AusIndustry</i> Applications can be lodged any time.
<b>Climate Change – Foundation Campaign</b>	The Government will provide \$30 million over two years for a national campaign to educate the community on climate change, including climate change science. Information will be provided through print, radio and television and a website. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au">www.climatechange.gov.au</a>	<i>Dept of climate Change &amp; Energy Efficiency</i>
<b>Green Car Innovation Fund (GCIF)</b>	\$1.3b GCIF will provide assistance over 10 years commencing 2009-10, to companies for projects that enhance the R&D and commercialization of those Australian technologies that significantly reduce fuel consumption and or greenhouse gas emissions of passenger motor vehicles. <a href="http://www.usindustry.gov.au/Manufacturing/GreenCarInnovationFund">www.usindustry.gov.au/Manufacturing/GreenCarInnovationFund</a>	<i>AusIndustry</i> Applications can be lodged any time
<b>Climate Ready Program</b>	\$75m over four years. It provides funding from \$50,000 to \$5 million on a matching funding basis to support research and development, proof-of-concept and early-stage commercialization activities that will develop solutions to climate change challenges. <a href="http://www.usindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/CleanBusinessAustralia">www.usindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/CleanBusinessAustralia</a>	<i>AusIndustry</i> Round 4 closed June 2009. Unclear if there will be future rounds.
<b>The Australian Carbon Trust Supporting Emissions Reductions through energy efficiency</b>	(75.8m over five years) to establish the Australian Carbon Trust to support households and businesses to engage on climate change particularly through cutting energy use. The government will allocate \$25.8 million over five years to establish the Energy Efficiency Savings Pledge Fund to help households and small businesses understand the greenhouse gas benefits and dollar savings to be gained from cutting energy use. Inject \$50 million to an Energy Efficiency Trust that will provide seed funding to promote and demonstrate innovative energy efficiency activities for commercial businesses and other organizations. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/...aust-carbon-trust/asp">www.climatechange.gov.au/government/...aust-carbon-trust/asp</a>	Department of Climate Change
<b>Green ICT – in Government</b>	Given that ICT is a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, the Department of the Environment Water, Heritage and the Arts in partnership with the Dept of Deregulation, is developing a Whole of Government ICT Sustainability Plan. Large government agencies will develop an ICT energy efficiency plan, which will include a requirement to undertake periodic independent ICT energy	Dept of the Environment Water Population and Communities in partnership with the Dept of

	assessments. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Deregulation
<b>Skills for the Carbon Challenge</b>	\$26.9 million over 4 years to support the take up of skills for sustainability and provide national leadership in building the capacity of the tertiary education sector to supply the skills needed to implement the government's climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies. <a href="http://www.deewr.gov.au">www.deewr.gov.au</a>	DEEWR
<b>National Plan for Environmental Information</b>	\$18 million over four years to develop a National Plan for Environmental Information that will establish institutional arrangements and clear responsibilities for the consistent collection and provision of environmental information to support decision making. This measure provides funding for the establishment of an environmental information reform program and an environmental data coordination program. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Department of the Environment, Water, Population and Communities
<b>National Waste Policy Implementation</b>	\$23 million over five years to implement initial components of the National Waste Policy agreed by the Environment Protection and Heritage Council. The measure will set national directions to 2020 to promote more consistent regulation among jurisdictions and the management of waste to deliver economic environmental and social benefits. As a first step, the policy will deliver new schemes for recycling computers, televisions and tyres. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/watepolicy/resources.html">www.environment.gov.au/watepolicy/resources.html</a>	Department of the Environment, Population and Communities
<b>National Return and Disposal of Unwanted Medicines</b>	(\$10.4m) over five years to ensure approximately 400 tonnes of unwanted medicines are destroyed in a safe and environmentally friendly manner. <a href="http://www.health.gov.au">www.health.gov.au</a>	Dept of Health and Ageing
<b>Continuation of Defence Environmental Programs and Works</b>	(\$71.4m) for Green Buildings Implementation Program. Environmental Works. Heritage Management Program. Contaminated Sites Management and Pollution Prevention Program. Environmental Management System Program. Environmental Monitoring. Assessments and Approvals. Climate Change Implementation Program and the Fisheries Protection Survey and Charting Projects. <a href="http://www.defence.gov.au">www.defence.gov.au</a>	Dept of Defence.
<b>Solar Homes and Communities Plan (\$339.7m)</b>	Provides incentives for eligible households to switch on to renewable energy. The plan delivers rebates for the installation of solar power panels in homes. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Energy Efficient or Small Business Program</b>	For small businesses to save money and energy. The program lowers the electricity bills and carbon pollution contributions. It offers subsidies and a rebate of up to \$5,000 for making energy efficiency improvements which save dollars and reduces impact on the environment. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au">www.environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	Department of Environment and Climate Change
<b>Reshaping Green</b>	For a range of energy efficient initiatives that include advice on	Dept of

<b>Loans</b>	energy efficiency, the Energy Efficient Homes and Solar Homes initiatives and subsidized loans for household improvements through participating financial institutions. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Community Water Grants</b>	To help local community organizations save, recycle, or improve the health of their local water resources. Grants are available for projects related to water saving and efficiency, water recycling and water treatment. <a href="http://www.communitywatergrants.com.au">www.communitywatergrants.com.au</a>	Australian Government Water Fund
<b>Renewable Energy Equity Fund (REEF)</b>	REEF provides smaller businesses with venture capital and managerial advice to help support innovative renewable energy technologies and services. <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>	<i>AusIndustry</i>
<b>Land and Water Australia</b>	Land and Water Australia provides funding for research and training related directly to the sustainable use and management of Australia's natural resources. <a href="http://www.lwa.gov.au">www.lwa.gov.au</a>	Land and Water Australia
<b>Water for the Future: National Rainwater and Greywater</b>	Rebates of up to \$500 for households to install rainwater tanks or greywater systems. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/water/programs">www.environment.gov.au/water/programs</a>	Dept of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Renewable Energy Water Pumping Sub-program (REWPS)</b>	REWPS provides rebates for businesses, government and other incorporated organisations, to support the installation of renewable energy water pumping systems in those areas of Australia not close to a main-grid. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Green Precinct Fund</b>	Supports project initiatives that encourage water and energy savings measures at the community level. \$15m over four years. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>NSW Heritage Grants – Local Government</b>	Seed funding to assist groups raise funds through a tax deductible appeal for state and locally significant heritage items. \$10,000. <a href="http://www.heritage.gov.au">www.heritage.gov.au</a>	NSW Heritage
<b>NSW Heritage Grants Kick Start</b>	Funds owners and managers of State significant heritage systems (conservation, maintenance and adaptive reuse of heritage items, listed on the State Heritage Register and State significant heritage items with funding up to \$20,000 per project. Applications will open late 2010. <a href="http://www.heritage.gov.au">www.heritage.gov.au</a>	NSW Heritage
<b>Funding for Landholders</b>	Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Management Authority offers funding and technical advice to landholders to help protect and improve river and creek banks, nature bush land and grassland, degraded and eroded land, wetland and salt marsh. Landholders can receive funding for activities including weed and erosion control, planting local native species, bush regeneration, installing off river stock, watering systems and many others. Funding is ongoing. <a href="http://www.hn.cma.nsw.gov.au">www.hn.cma.nsw.gov.au</a>	Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Authority

<p><b>Caring for our Country Small Grants</b> It brings together the delivery of four Australian Government programs under a single banner: These are the Natural Heritage Trust, the National Landcare Program, the Environmental Stewardship program and the Working on Country Indigenous Land and Environment Program.</p>	<p>To better protect Australia's unique natural environment and improve the sustainable management of our natural resources. Services include protected diversity and natural icons, clean water and air, healthy soils and sustainable foods and fibre industries. Funding may help purchase new properties for the National Reserve System; manage weeds and feral animals; improve soil management on farms or help protect world heritage values. It focuses on six national priorities: National reserve system Biodiversity and natural icons – including week feral animal, control, threatened species Coastal environment and critical aquatic habitats Sustainable farm practices – including Landcare Natural resource management in remote Northern Australia Community skills, knowledge and management. Caring for our Community will take a business approach to investment. It will have clear outcomes and priorities, reduced bureaucratic complexity and improved accountability. <a href="http://www.nrm.gov.au">www.nrm.gov.au</a></p>	<p>Commonwealth Govt. For information on closing dates contact 1800 552 008 or</p>
<p><b>NSW Heritage Grants</b></p>	<p>Heritage NSW runs a diverse and targeted funding program to assist owners and managers of state significant heritage items, Aboriginal heritage and local government heritage management in NSW to restore buildings and other heritage assets. \$5.324 million have been allocated for 2010. <a href="http://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au">www.heritage.nsw.gov.au</a></p>	
<p><b>Sponsorship Assistance</b></p>	<p>The Sydney Catchment Authority (SCA) sponsors water industry events and activities in order to assist the industry to build and share knowledge that will benefit the practices of the water industry and ultimately maintain and develop water quality outcomes. The SCA also sponsors two projects that offer educational outcomes within communities or projects that are consistent with and help to further the SCA's mission, values and goals. <a href="mailto:Fundingprograms@sca.nsw.gov.au">Fundingprograms@sca.nsw.gov.au</a> Gwenda Gallahan Tel: 4724 2313</p>	<p>Sydney Catchment Authority</p>
<p><b>Lead Environmental Community Groups Program</b></p>	<p>To provide administrative funds to assist eligible lead environmental community organisations in NSW to value, conserve and protect the natural environment, through actively involving the community in projects to protect, enhance the natural environment, raise community awareness and understanding, and gathering information on environmental issues, with a view of bringing behavioural change across the community and advocating on environmental concerns. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au">www.environment.nsw.gov.au</a></p>	<p>Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water (NSW)</p>
<p><b>Green Car Innovation Fund</b></p>	<p>Grants to help design, develop and manufacture low-emission, fuel-efficient cars and components in Australia. <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p>	<p>AusIndustry</p>
<p><b>Green Building</b></p>	<p>\$90m over five years to reduce the impact of Australia's built</p>	<p>AusIndustry</p>

<b>Fund</b>	environment on green house gas emissions, by reducing the energy consumed in the operation of existing commercial office buildings. The funding must be used for energy-efficient retro-fitting of existing buildings and support for training initiatives to improve the skills of building operators. <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/GreenBuildingFund">www.ausindustry.gov.au/InnovationandRandD/GreenBuildingFund</a>	
<b>Renewable Energy Equity Fund (REEF)</b>	REEF provides smaller businesses with venture capital and managerial advice to help support innovative renewable energy technologies and services. <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>	<i>AusIndustry</i>
<b>Environmental Restoration and Rehabilitation Grants</b>	To facilitate projects to prevent or reduce pollution, the waste stream or environmental degradation of any kind run by community organizations and State and Local government organizations. The objectives are to restore degraded environmental resources, protect ecosystems and habitats, prevent environmental damage, and enhance the quality of resources. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au">www.environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>Environmental Education Grants</b>	To support educational projects and programs which develop or widen the community's knowledge of, skills in, and commitment to protect the environment. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au">www.environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>Climate Change Fund</b>	To help businesses, households, schools, communities and government save water, energy and greenhouse gas emissions. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants">www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>Climate Action Grants Program</b>	To support funded projects that assist the development and adoption of technological processes and practices that reduce green house emissions. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants">www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>NSW City and Country Environment Restoration Program</b>	To tackle our most significant environmental challenges (icon wetlands, marine environment, crown lands) and reduce the ecological footprint of the urban centres. The types of grants are for technology action grants and community action grants. <a href="mailto:climateaction@environment.nsw.gov.au">climateaction@environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>Sustainability Education</b>	To build a key role for education (when integrated with other environmental management tools) to assist people of NSW to protect the environment and move towards a more sustainable society. <a href="mailto:climateaction@environment.nsw.gov.au">climateaction@environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	Dept of Environment Climate Change and Water
<b>Regional Marine Planning</b>	\$8.1 million to allow completion of the planning process and support implementation of the plans.	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Junior Landcare Program</b>	For schools and other organizations for projects that engage students in landcare sustainability and environment education <a href="http://www.juniolandcare.com.au">www.juniolandcare.com.au</a>	Sponsors
<b>Water for the Future</b>	A long-term framework to secure the water supply for all Australians. The Australian government is investing \$12.9 billion over 10 years	Department of Environment,

	through Water for the Future to address four priorities: 1) taking action on climate change, securing water supplies, using water wisely, and supporting healthy rivers. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Remote Air Service Subsidy Scheme (RASS)</b>	The RASS is available to air operators who are selected and engaged through a competitive tender process, to provide regular air services to remote and isolated areas of Australia. <a href="mailto:RASS@infrastructure.gov.au">RASS@infrastructure.gov.au</a>	Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
<b>NSW Green Business Program</b>	\$30 million of funding over 5 years for projects that will save water and energy in business operations. Activities eligible but not limited to education and technology trials, are projects that improve the efficiency of buildings, appliances and industrial processes. Projects that reduce peak electricity and water demand. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/ccfgbp.htm">www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/ccfgbp.htm</a>	NSW Dept of Environment, Climate Change and Water Rounds – awaiting announcement of round2
<b>Public Facilities Program</b>	Provides \$30 million for water and energy saving projects in facilities which are open to, and frequently accessed by the public. Two rounds have already been funded. NGOs are invited to apply. Demonstration projects must show how water and energy savings work in practice in public or educational facilities. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/ccfpfp.htm">www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/ccfpfp.htm</a>	Round 2 closed April 2009. Awaiting information on further rounds.
<b>Renewable Energy Development Program</b>	\$40 million over five years to support projects which are expected to lead to large scale greenhouse gas emissions savings through renewable energy technologies and supporting the early commercialization of renewable energy technologies. Tel: 1300361967. <a href="mailto:ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au">ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au</a> <a href="http://www.environment.nse.gov.au/grants/ccfred.htm">www.environment.nse.gov.au/grants/ccfred.htm</a>	NSW Dept of Environment, Climate Change and Water Round 1 is closed. Waiting Round 2.
<b>Renewal Energy Future Fund</b>	Supports the development of large and small scale renewable energy projects that will enhance, take up of industrial, commercial and residential energy efficiency. <a href="http://www.ret.gov.au/resources">www.ret.gov.au/resources</a>	
<b>Lead Environmental Community groups Program</b>	Aims to assist eligible lead environmental community organisations in NSW by contributing towards their administrative costs. The aim is to involve the community in projects that protect and enhance the natural environment so that they become active advocates in expressing concerns and become involve in policy development initiatives. <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/restoration.htm">www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/restoration.htm</a>	NSW Environmental Trust Last round closed March 2009. Awaiting new round.
<b>Residential Rebate Program</b>	Helps people living in NSW to make their homes more water and energy efficient by providing rebates for rainwater tanks, hot water systems and insulation. <a href="mailto:ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au">ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au</a> Tel: 1300 361 967	Dept of Environment and Climate Change.
<b>School Energy Program</b>	\$20 million to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions from NSW public high schools (lighting, retrofitting, monitoring equipment, sustainable schools). <a href="mailto:ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au">ccf@environment.nsw.gov.au</a>	

<b>Energy Efficiency Programs</b>	Several programs created to assist reduce greenhouse gas emissions and encourage the rollout of energy efficient technologies. Also to save on water and energy. Householders can receive increased rebates for solar and heat pump hot water systems and assistance for the installation of insulation. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/sustainability/energyefficiency/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/sustainability/energyefficiency/index.html</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Renewable Energy Bonus Scheme</b>	Households installing a solar water heater that replaces an electric storage water heater in an existing residential electric water heater with a heat pump. The aim is to assist households to save money on power bills and reduce carbon emissions. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/sustainability/energyefficiency/index.html">www.environment.gov.au/sustainability/energyefficiency/index.html</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>The national Solar schools Program</b>	It offers up to \$50,000 to eligible primary and secondary schools to install solar and other renewable power systems, solar hot water systems, rainwater tanks and a range of energy efficiency measures. Funding round for 2010- 2011 is now closed. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>The Insulation Industry Assistance Package</b>	It has been established to assist firms that participated in the Home Insulation Program to meet the cost of insulation stock holdings, through the deferral of GST payment obligations and a \$15 million grants program administered by AusIndustry. <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Foil Insulation Safety Program</b>	It has been established to inspect approximately 50,000 homes that had foil insulation installed under the Home Insulation Program. The program will also fund either the removal of the foil insulation or the installation of safety switches. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Green Loans Program</b>	The Government will provide an additional \$102.7 million to deliver over 600,000 home sustainability assessments, in addition to the 360,000 already available, under the redesigned and extended Green Loans Program. The home sustainability assessments provide advice to households on ways to improve energy and water efficiency and reduce sustainability assessments provide advice to household on ways to improve energy and water efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. In order to better manage demand for the home assessments, caps of 5,000 assessors and 15,000 assessment bookings per week have been introduced. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Home Insulation Safety Program</b>	To carry out safety inspections of at least 150,000 homes that had non foil insulation installed under the Home Insulation Program, targeted at homes that are most likely to have safety issues. The inspectors will also be able to carry out simple remediation work where required. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Low Emissions</b>	\$637.4 million over two and a half years to increase the rebate to	Dept of

<b>Assistance Plan for Renters</b>	owners of private sector rental homes towards the cost of installing insulation. <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">www.environment.gov.au</a>	Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
<b>Renewable Targets</b>	The Government will provide \$6 million in 2010-11 for the Office of the renewable energy Regulator to implement enhancements to the renewable energy target from January 2011. This includes \$4.5 million in capital funding to modify and expand the existing information technology system to facilitate the settlement of Renewable Energy Certificates under the enhanced scheme. There will be large scale renewable energy targets and small scale ones. These changes are expected to deliver more renewable energy than the original 20 per cent target. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Solar Cities Program</b>	The program will integrate a unique combination of energy efficiency measures for homes and businesses, the use of solar technologies and cost reflecting pricing trials to reward people who use energy wisely and community education about better energy usage in an increasing water reliant world. The Solar Cities consortia in each location are working with industry, business and their local communities to rethink the way they produce and use energy. <a href="http://www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs">www.climatechange.gov.au/.../programs</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Solar Credit Scheme</b>	It replaced the Solar Homes and Communities Plan Rebate Scheme for solar electricity systems which ended in 2009. This Scheme is not means tested and is available to businesses, households and community groups. <a href="http://www.orer.gov.au">www.orer.gov.au</a>	Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency
<b>Junior Landcare Program</b>	For schools and other organisations for projects that engage students in Landcare sustainability and environment education. <a href="http://www.juniorlandcare.com.au">www.juniorlandcare.com.au</a>	Department of Climate Change and Water
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