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Please find below an opinion piece written by Senator Joyce published in The Canberra Times 21 June 2012

Of lies, damned lies and delusion

The thought of Julia Gillard lecturing to the world at the G20 in Mexico on Labor's economic record lives in the space between skin-creeping embarrassment and delusional. Under Labor we have had the four biggest deficits in this nation's history, the highest debt and three extensions of our nation's credit limit as we continually max it out.

Once more Ms Gillard and Mr Swan are claiming responsibility for the events of the Permian and Precambrian periods when the coal deposits of Australia were laid down around 300 million years ago and iron ore deposits were formed around 600 million years ago.

These two substances, one made up of that evil substance carbon, and the other responsible for abundant carbon dioxide emissions as it is turned into steel, gave us a role to play in China's boom as prices for coking coal went from around \$50 per tonne to \$300 per tonne and iron ore went from \$40 per tonne to more than \$160 per tonne.

If Julia Gillard was honest about our luck in recent years then she should have given a lecture on geology and geography not on economics. **We have a \$231 billion gross debt.** Our is the third fastest proportionate increase in global public sector debt since 2007, as found by Dr Ken Rogoff of Harvard. **Only Iceland and Ireland beat us.**

After decades of mismanagement from the Queensland Labor Party, **Queensland's debt is heading**

towards \$100 billion. That makes the average Queenslander's share of Commonwealth and State debts \$32,000. Greece's debt at the moment is \$41,000 per person.

We have very little to brag about on government management of the bountiful harvest which is, maybe was, the mining boom.

Labor's latest foray into their key policy objective of closing things down can now be seen in the oceans of our coast. It is perplexing when trying to go beyond the usual roll out of the rhetoric of imminent environmental destruction to find exactly what they believe is the problem.

Australia extracts less than 30 kilograms of fish per square kilometre from our ocean territory, compared to a global average of 755 kilograms per square kilometre. We are an island continent surrounded by fishing grounds but we now import 72% of our seafood as we close down our capacity to feed ourselves.

We get most of our fish from Thailand, China and Vietnam, and all of these countries extract more than 5,000 kilograms per square kilometre, around 200 times our rate of extraction.

Try and buy a fish caught in Australian waters, you will be searching, and now it is going to become even harder.

So it is evil to sustainably log our forest but we have no problem importing timber from other countries that clearly fell theirs? In net terms, we import around \$2 billion of wood and timber products each year. So each year we need to put \$2 billions of products on a boat to send in the other direction to fund this.

We appear to believe irrigation in the Murray-Darling is wrong but subsidised European food is right. Australian coal burnt in Australia to keep our power prices down will destroy the world but if you burn it in Beijing it is miraculously cleansed of its environmental sins, you might even get a carbon credit for it.

The theme of this government is becoming clear; if it is open, shut it; if it is saved, spend it and if it is not saved borrow it. Don't grow or make anything that you could import, and if there are things you are good at then dream up dopey taxes so that you stop growing or making them.

So a more honest appraisal by Ms Gillard at the G20, of the graces and acumen of her government, would be a truly riveting speech, but not one that would gather her many accolades. It would be a speech that starts with the removal of a popularly elected Prime Minister, followed up with a massive broken promise to the electorate, then stumbles along with a circus of fiascos. It finishes with a massive debt and some bizarre belief in a domestic climate control policy legislated by the Australian Government and administered by the Australian Taxation Office.

(Barnaby Joyce is the Nationals' Senate Leader)

Mylo Browncoat – The Good, The Bad and the Unbelievably Ugly

The Good

1. Nicole Gatehouse – Origin – Mylos's champion!
2. Email from a Qld Favourite Centre Manager:
Trust me this side of the fence is crap today as well ... there are too many oxygen thieves around that should be sent a one way ticket to the 'Idiot Plant' far far away
... I am sick of dealing with fools and justifying things to them.

So I need to win the lotto and become a grumpy old customer at Westfield and give them hell ... that is what I intend to do in my retirement just for the fun of it!! Imagine how much fun I could have.

And then I am going to write a book about all of the idiots I have had to put up with over the years.

So keep smiling ... it is sure to get better soon.

3. Barnaby Joyce's opinion – he tells it as it is without the sugar coating.

4. Another clients email:

To: Donna Edwards

Subject: RE: Carbon tax (Thanks Aunt Julia)

Hey, life is one big circus, at least we are not the clowns. They live in Canberra!

The Bad

1. Revised Electricity budgets (Cost due to Carbon and Network increase)

The Unbelievably Ugly

1. AER, QCA and DEWS – Changes to Gazetted tariffs. Large business customers and reduction in T20 carbon inclusive rate:

1/7/11 – 23.19 cents per kWh carbon excl

1/7/12 – 20.010 cents per kWh carbon incl

2. Many smaller properties now have a loss on resale of electricity. How can any Government anywhere in the world make an owner pay 24 cents a kWh, but can only sell it at 20.010 cents a kWh.

The Robbers (Legal Outlaws)

1. A friend of Mylo Browncoat while in a madness phase (by anger and alcohol) on Saturday 15/9/12 at 1.20am sent an email to the NRL.

Sent: Saturday, 15 September 2012 1:20am

To: Reception

Subject: NRL Enquiry

Name: A cranky Northern Queenslander

State: Qld

Team: North Queensland Cowboys

Member: Yes

Enquiry: NRL is still NSWRL. Those decisions in the Cowboys v Manly game were disgraceful. Someone must lose their job. I am sick of seeing NSW teams

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The Robbers (Cont)

and players being favoured in the judiciary and video ref calls. How was King cleared and Mati given one week when it was clearly high and he has a disgraceful history. You will never be national while you are NSW biased and all you do is feed our Qld underdog spirit.

Reply (NRL - diplomatic, correct and expected response)

From: Reception

Sent: Wednesday, 19 September 2012 1:16pm

To: A cranky Northern Queenslander

Subject: RE: NRL Enquiry

You are entitled to be upset and your frustration is certainly warranted. The reality is that players and officials make errors in sport and sometimes the ramifications of that is significant. We have reviewed the situation and have been public in accepting that it was a mistake.

Please note our aim is to see the game grow and prosper and all our clubs play an important part in that plan.

Thanks again for taking the time to provide us with your views.

Kind regards
Elke

National Rugby League Limited
Rugby League Central
Driver Avenue
Moore Park NSW 2021

Fire Up Queenslanders and take no fudging prisoners next year!

Mylo finds this shocking, not an avert follower of football but keen on horse racing does **not** understand that in any horse race even the Melbourne Cup, you can lodge a protest and many times the protest is upheld and there is the right win. Who would have thought horse racing is more honest than the NRL.

2. Carbon Rate, Carbon Margin, Carbon Price, Carbon Adjustment – BUT not allowed to call it a Tax.

Mylo says – What the??? Not only are Australian Commercial, Retail, Industrial property owners being robbed in clear daylight and the

WATTS NEWS

Federal Government is not even honest enough to call it a Tax. Federal Outlaws!

Actual costs for one large Qld Shopping Centre for August 2012:

Carbon	\$56,812.45
GECS	\$ 1,541.14
LEEC	\$11,235.16
SREC	\$21,833.65
(Total Levies)	\$34,609.95
Total Levies and Carbon	\$91,422.40

% Split of Total Account

Carbon and Env Levies	22%
Network	29%
Energy	42%
MP and other	7%
Total	100%

22% - \$91,422.40 – One month bill for one Shopping Centre

3. Another Qld Energy Consultant - His view is excellent. The Federal Government is robbing all Aussies. Part of email sent to his client:
- How Julia Gillard can charge \$23/tonne for Carbon Tax when you are already paying \$7,599.17/month (Excl GST) on the July account for 'Environmental Charges' belies belief LRET (Large Renewable Energy Target), SRES (Small Renewable Energy Scheme) and GEC (Gas Energy Charge 0 where 13% of your electricity is to be derived from a Gas-Fired Electricity Generation Provider) were introduced to electricity accounts to off-set 'Carbon Pollution' ... and on top of that Julia has decided it is fair and equitable to charge a Carbon Rate at \$23/tonne to cover Labor's over-spending as well. With the Carbon and 'Environmental Charges' on your July 2012 account combined, you have paid \$18,989.79 (Excl GST) for these Government Charges, that equate to 28.82% of your monthly electricity account.*

It is my firm belief that groups such as Australian Hotels Association, Clubs Qld, The Farmers Federation, Poultry Growers Association etc need to be making a noise on behalf of their Members regarding the Carbon (on top of the existing Environmental Charges) and also the increase in Network Charges as this is beyond ridiculous ... I am asking my customers to contact any industry groups that they are members of and also their Local Member/Media Outlets so that the current Government are under no illusion as to how unhappy people are about these increases.

The Ventriloquist & The Blonde

A young ventriloquist is touring the clubs and one night, he's doing a show in a small town

With his dummy on his knee, he start going through his usual dumb blonde jokes

Suddenly, a blonde woman in the fourth row stands on her chair and starts shouting, "I've heard enough of your stupid blonde jokes. What makes you think you can stereotype women that way? What does the colour of a person's hair have to do with her worth as a human being? It's men like you who keep women like me from being respected at work and in the community and from reaching our full potential as people. You and your kind continue to perpetuate discrimination against not only blondes, but women in general ... pathetically all in the name of humour!"

The embarrassed ventriloquist begins to apologise, and the blonde yells, "You stay out of this! **I'm talking to that little shit on your lap!**"

Irish Joke

Patrick walks into a bar in Dublin and orders three pints of Guinness and sits in the corner of the room, drinking a sip out of each pint in turn.

When he had finished all three, he went back to the bar and ordered three more.

The barman says. "You know a pint goes flat soon after I pull it ... your pint would taste better if you bought one at a time."

Patrick replies, "Well now, I have two brodders, one is in America and de odder in Australia and here I am in Dublin. When we all left home, we promised dat we'd drink dis way to remember de days we all drank toggeder."

The barman admits that this is a nice custom and says no more.

Patrick becomes a regular customer and always drinks the same way, ordering three pints and drinking a sip out of each in turn until they are finished.

One day he comes in and orders just two pints.

All the other regulars in the bar notice and fall silent. When he goes back to the bar for the second round, the barman says, "I don't want to intrude on your grief but I wanted to offer my condolences on your great loss."

Patrick looks confused for a moment, then the penny drops and he starts to laugh.

"Oh no," he says, "Bejesus, everyone is fine! 'Tis me, I've quit drinking."

11/12/12 10:28am Electricity Market Service The Grapevine

Tarong Power Station today announced plans to withdraw two of its generating units from service in October and December 2012 for at least 2 years or until wholesale electricity demand improves. Tarong Power Station Site Manager Dennis Franklin said the decision was due to Stanwell Corporation Ltd (Stanwell), the owner of Tarong Power Station (TPS), operating in an over-supplied energy market with lower than forecast electricity demand. "With these market conditions expected to continue for at least the next 2 years, withdrawing two units from service at TPS will allow Stanwell to lower its operation and maintenance costs and reduce its carbon emissions." Mr Franklin said this decision also impacts on the adjacent Meandu Mine's operations and workforce. "Whilst there are some impacts as a result of today's decision, there will be many long-term benefits as the power station and mine will be well positioned to continue to be a more viable operation well into the future."

Origin, ERM Power and other suppliers stopped, halted pricing once this was announced. Watts could not get price offers for two new Centres. Owner and Property Manager now as confused as the Irish Blonde Bird – bets are on now prices will increase?

The Legend Honour Roll



Name	Knighted	Company
Paul Enright	8/9/11	Origin