

## “Lights Out”

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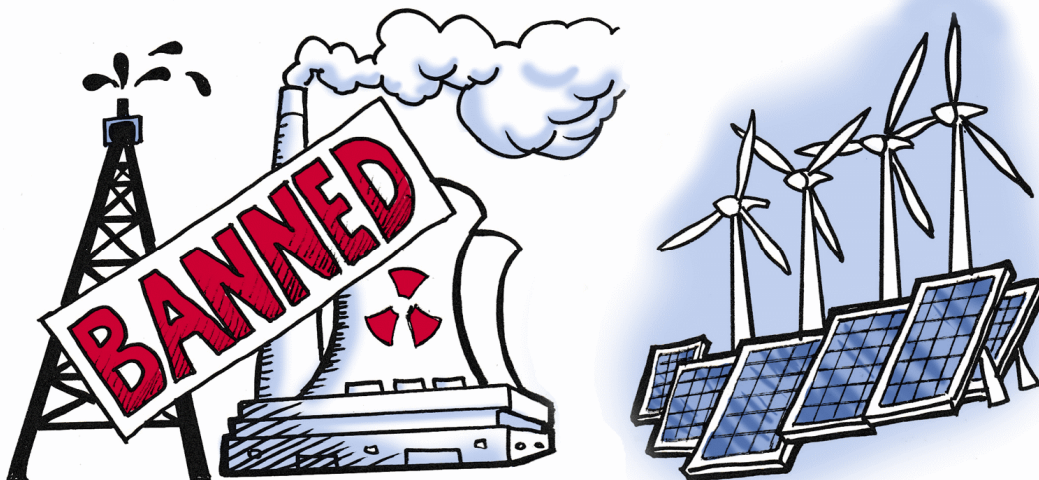
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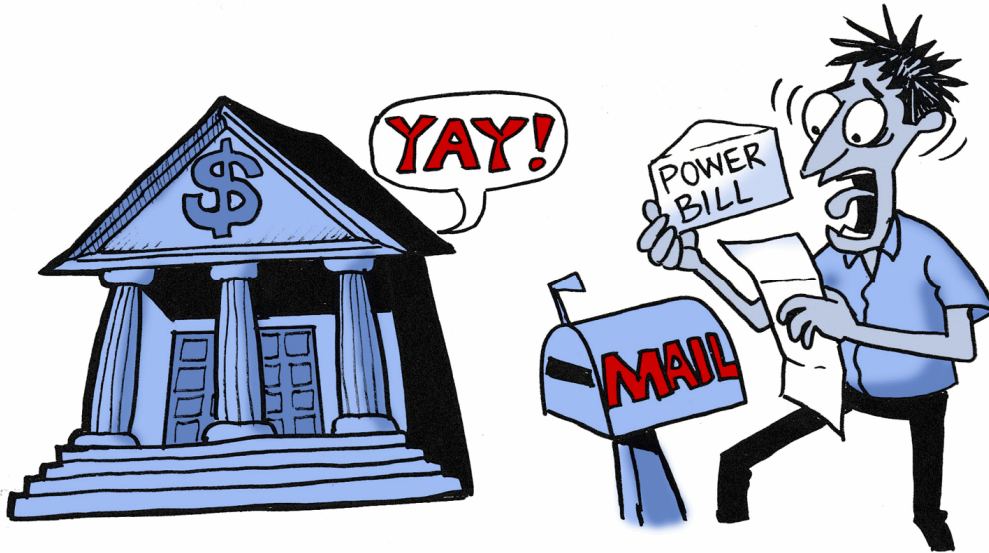
For yonks they waged a war on coal  
And painted miners black;  
They threw explorers on the dole  
And shut the gates outback.



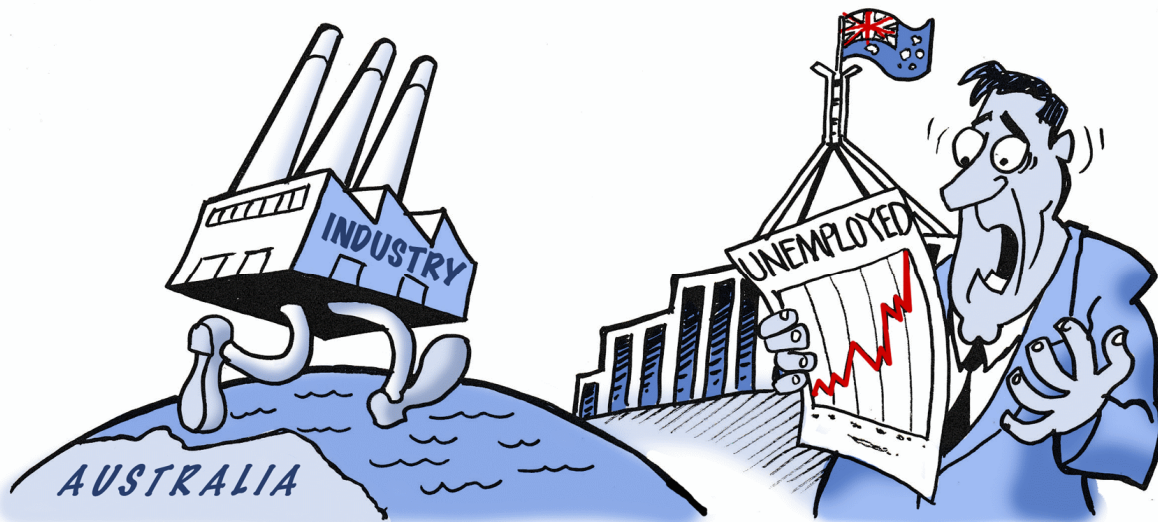
The land was closed to oil and gas  
And nukes were always banned;  
While wind and sun got all the brass  
And uglified the land.



Poles and turbines all in ranks  
Sprouted on the hills;  
The carbon credits pleased the banks  
And households got the bills.



Then all the factories fled offshore  
As puny power flickered;  
More jobs were lost for evermore  
As politicians dickered.



Then one still night the lights went out  
And blackouts stalked the land;  
The polties quickly turned about  
And Greens were spurned and banned.



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## **“Daring to Doubt”**

by Tony Abbott:

*“Climate change is by no means the sole or even the most significant symptom of the changing interests and values of the West. Still, only societies with high levels of cultural amnesia could have made such a religion out of it. Beware the pronouncement, “the science is settled”. It’s the spirit of the Inquisition, the thought-police down the ages. Almost as bad is the claim that “99 per cent of scientists believe” as if scientific truth is determined by votes rather than facts.”*

—Tony Abbott, 2017 Annual GWPF Lecture, London 9 October 2017

<https://www.thegwpf.org/tony-abbott-daring-to-doubt>

<http://joannenova.com.au/2017/10/dangerous-abbott-unleashed-speaks-the-truth-critics-froth-and-flounder/>

## **“Escaping the Renewable Energy Trap”**

by Alan Moran:

<https://www.spectator.com.au/2017/09/escaping-the-renewable-energy-subsidy-trap/>

## **“The Paris Agreement”**

by President Donald Trump  
What he really said.

<https://www.thegwpf.com/reminder-what-president-trump-really-said-about-the-paris-agreement/>

## **Serious Defects in Australia’s Energy Policies**

A group of retired senior engineers challenge Australia’s bi-partisan energy foolishness. See:

<https://carbon-sense.com/2017/10/13/open-letter-to-the-prime-minister-of-australia/>

### **Personal:**

*Thanks to all of those who sent well-wishes on our moving adventure and downsizing of our lives. Some even sent contributions to the depleted Carbon Sense cause.*

*We are making progress on the shift. As an experienced shifter predicted, we have reached the “where did we put that” stage.*

*Next we will be saying – “why did we keep that stuff”.*

*But our office is now working and more Carbon Sense will flow again. Thanks for your support.*

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