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Dear

Thank you for your email of Section 47F

The Deputy Prime Minister has asked me to respond to you. I sincerely apologise for the delay in responding to you.

At the Pittsburgh Summit, G20 leaders committed to rationalise or eliminate inefficient fossil fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption. I would like to assure you that Australia has met its obligations under the G20 commitment. The Australian Government direct budgetary support for fossil fuel production is limited to measures supporting the production of clean energy, particularly in relation to carbon pollution reduction. Australia does not have any sector-specific tax expenditures for fossil fuel consumption, although fossil fuel producers are able to access the same general measures that apply across the economy or across the mining sector as a whole.

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I trust this information will be of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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