



PRIME MINISTER
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA ACT 2600

The Hon Wayne Swan MP
Treasurer
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

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30 NOV 2011

Dear Treasurer

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The Australian Greens have written to me requesting consideration of a number of proposals in the context of the 2012-13 Budget. This is consistent with our agreement with the Australian Greens. The proposals that fall within your portfolio are:

Section 34(3) & 34(2)

Senator Brown has also proposed: widening the Mineral Resource Rent Tax to include gold; not extending the one per cent company tax cut to small businesses; and a Tobin tax. I have indicated to Senator Brown that the Government has previously ruled out these proposals and that we will not be considering them in the budget process.

I request that you write to me by 27 February 2012, in consultation with relevant ministers and copying in the Minister for Finance and Deregulation, for the proposals listed below. In your letter, I ask that you identify whether or not you support this proposal, whether this overlaps with current programs or is being progressed through an existing process, or would like to propose an alternative.

Section 34(3)

I appreciate these deadlines are tight, but I ask that you prioritise these costings to ensure the Government meets its commitment to consider any budget proposals put forward by the Greens and Independents. Please contact Senator Brown's office if you require further information and I encourage you to do so.

Correspondence Received	
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister & Treasurer	
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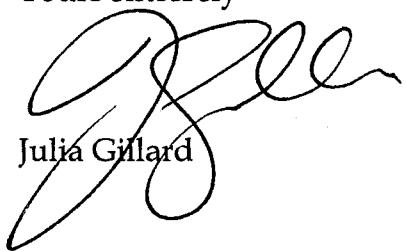
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I have written to all other relevant ministers in similar terms and have copied this letter to the Minister for Finance and Deregulation.

The contact officer in my department is Mr and Taxation Policy Branch on 6271

Assistant Secretary Fiscal

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Gillard".

Julia Gillard