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Media Statement

Dr Sophie Scamps: The Liberal Party of yesteryear is dead

Their net zero backdown shows they are a party without conviction, who no longer know what they stand for, or understand who they represent.

For three decades now, the Liberal Party has not only failed to show leadership on the defining issue of our time but have purposefully obstructed action - which is why the clean energy transition is now so urgent.

The modern-day Liberal Party is pusillanimous, duplicitous, and lacking vision.

For over 25 years now, they have failed to lead on the defining and most pressing issue of our era - climate change – and have instead allowed themselves to be led around by the nose by the Nationals and fossil fuel industry.

Now they're trying to use spin to have it both ways - saying they are both for and against climate action. But Australians won't buy it – they know that saying you are committed to net zero when you don't have a target or energy transition plan, is no commitment at all.

They're trying to take the country back to the coal era of the 1980s, leaving us behind the rest of the world and passing up the opportunity to be at the forefront of the global clean energy transition.

The people of Australia expect their political representatives to show courage, leadership, and stability. The Liberal party is instead doing the bidding of billionaires and multinational fossil fuel corporations and being led around by the nose of the National Party.

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