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Abbott's Climate Change Policy Backed by Small Business

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Peak national industry body, The Retailers Association, has come out in support of Tony Abbott's proposed climate change policy, acknowledging the key features being no impact on jobs and no new taxes.

Scott Driscoll, National Executive Director of The Retailers Association has applauded Mr Abbott for developing and promoting plans and policy to address the climate change issue without harming small business and the community the way the Rudd ETS would be destined to do.

"Tony Abbott has today shown that there are options to support responsible environmental considerations without instituting a massive new tax and putting thousands of Australian Jobs at risk," said Mr Driscoll.

"Today we are looking to the Rudd Government to support this policy and once and for all shelve their anti-jobs ETS Tax proposal," said Mr Driscoll.

"Australian Small Businesses, Australian jobs and Australian working families all want responsible and positive environmental solutions on a national level. What we don't want and can't afford is a Rudd ETS tax that will send us backwards as a nation," said Mr Driscoll.

"The community at large will now hold it's breath in the hope that ego does not get in the way of good policy for the Rudd Government. I sincerely hope that this signals an end to the politics of deception and lies surrounding the Rudd ETS and that business will have some confidence and hope to plan for the future," said Mr Driscoll.

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