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Mr Malcolm Turnbull
Prime Minister
Parliament House
CANBERRA, ACT 2600

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Dear Prime Minister,

Extreme bushfire fuel in Australia

The level of bushfire fuels in Australia shows that extreme bushfire "...mismangement verges on the culpable" (*Quadrant Online* 9/1/16 www.elthamsdeathtrap.com).

In 2015, I wrote the mismangement "...appears to indicate your (Abbott) Government, working with the States and Territories, has been unprepared to issue appropriate extreme bushfire warnings".

Letters from me questioning a basis of extreme bushfire warnings, were delegated by your Office to the Attorney General's Office. The Attorney General's Office response did not answer this crucial question, which was:

Who is right about the official maximum passage of bushfire over a given hour?

1. The former Federal Minister for the CSIRO who wrote 24km in an hour ([Att. 1](#)), or
2. The former Victorian Minister and Commissioner who both wrote 9km/h ([Att. 2 & 3](#))?

Given that others have been unable to answer this question, it suggests that responsibility for future deaths and costs from extreme bushfires rests with you, the Prime Minister.

Firestick Estate seeks to establish whether there is an official maximum passage of bushfire over a given hour, such as a CSIRO standard, or whether an ad hoc variation between States and Territories is an acceptable national operating procedure?

Yours sincerely,

Belinda Clarkson (Secretary)
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CC: Opposition Leader Bill Shorten, Cabinet Ministers & selected Australian media

State: Australian Capital Territory New South Wales Northern Territory South Australia Tasmania Queensland Victoria Western Australia	Leader: Chief Minister Andrew Barr Premier Mike Baird Chief Minister Adam Giles Premier Jay Weatherill Premier Will Hodgman Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk Premier Daniel Andrews Premier Collin Barnett	Opposition Leaders: Jeremy Hanson Luke Foley Michael Gunner Steven Marshall Bryan Green Lawrence Springborg Matthew Guy Mark McGowan
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National Coronial Information System - Ms Natalie Johnson & Victorian State Coroner - Judge Sarah Hinchey

"...trying to set fires, rather than prevent them" - Bill Gammage 2012