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it should be based on rather than household.



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Contact information

Name

Organisation (if applicable)
Address
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Objectives for the contribution
Do you agree with these objectives for our contribution?
1b. What is most important to you? The future of our planet and our children. That we aim for a sustainable future for them without raping and destroying our current abundance or resources in the name of a short term profit. THIS will take a massive undertaking but WE CAN do it AND IT WILL BE FUN!!! :-D just start heading in the right direction and we will create so many jobs and industry and profit whilst also creating an incredible place to live that is in harmony with the environment. but we NEED to be RESPONSIBLE NOW!
What would be a fair contribution for New Zealand?
2. What do you think the nature of New Zealand's emissions and economy means for the level of target that we set?
40% reduction on 1990 levels as a minimum. We will create the jobs and economy as we move towards a zero carbon economy. We have an amazing creative culture that will adapt and be PROUD to be leading the world with our developments in environmental and energy solutions.
How will our contribution affect New Zealanders?
3. What level of cost is appropriate for New Zealand to reduce it's greenhouse gas emissions? For example, what would be a reasonable reduction in annual household consumption? What ever is needed to maintain our ecosystem from falling apart as this cost will be immeasurable and irrecoverable. :-(

4. Of the opportunities for New Zealand to reduce its emissions (as outlined on page 15 of the discussion document), which do you think are the most likely to occur, or be most important for New Zealand? Enough solar energy lands on the earth in an hour to power the world for a year. (http://environment.nationalgeographic.com/environment/global-warming/solar-power-profile/, 2015) We can transition (and will transition!) to a low carbon economy through changing our growth patterns, equality and encouragement (/policy) from leaders and our government. This will reduce our vunerability, costs and create thousands of new opportunities. we need to ensure to follow the rules of nature as much as is possible however

In terms of the costs in the document what difference does 530\$ make between 5% and 40% reductions?!! lets do it and do it Really Well! I would be happy to pay more as a high earner and let off some of the lower wage earners with a lesser extent. higher wages also probably = higher consumption and therefore higher emissions, this is what

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otherwise we will end up in the same situation down the line. No waste.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target?

This needs to be a bonus rather than the rule. lets work on what we have and as we get new technologies or as we see the opportunity for them then we creat policy to support and encourage that, increase our reduction targets as these technologies are available but we cant plan on them being there. We already have more than enough possibilities to decrease our emissions as it is without new technologies, ie start a ride to work campaign like the no smoking one. NO one allowed to commute in a solo vehicle without a reason, check out london inner city costs for driving. Create targets (hard hitting) that ensure a future and ecosystem for our children

Other comments

6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain. This is not just about carbon emissions it is about a future for all of NZ and the world. it is about making ourselves proud of what we are doing, about creating jobs that are worthwhile and satisfying, living spaces that exude delight while also being low cost and biodegradable! We are a nation of do it yoursselfers. let us do it!