

Consultation on setting New Zealand's post-2020 climate change target



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Objectives for the contribution

Do you agree with these objectives for our contribution? Yes

1b. What is most important to you?

Making sense of this submission form and staying awake long enough to complete it.

"it must guide New Zealand over the long term in the global transition to a low emissions world"

and Is long term going to be soon enough or will it be a pretty document stuck to a dead planet like a postal note?

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?

I am guessing that this question suggests that because we are not China, and are seen as clean and green and only have a small economy. That we shouldn't do much more than nod our heads and pay lip service to any commitment or obligation on our behalf? Why don't we position our selves as a global leader in the adoption and implementation of clean and sustainable technology. I am opposed to the the idea of carbon taxes and credits and believe that it is just another commodity that can be traded for profit. I do believe that tax incentives should be offered to businesses that can display measured on going improvement. I also believe that New Zealand should offer massive tax incentives to businesses that create ongoing sustainable business, employment and GDP to New Zealand's economy. I do not believe we should put a carbon tax on fossil fuels and say our problem and obligation is solved.

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?

Hopefully it will mean that in 50 years time we are not floating around the universe on a baron featureless smoldering rock wondering why we did nothing

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?

Summary

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

New Zealand should be developing the future technologies and selling them to the world

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Other comments

6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain.