Your submission to Zero Carbon Bill
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Clause 1. What process should the Government use to set a new emissions reduction target in legislation?
Position
The Government sets a goal to reach net zero emissions by the second half of the century and the Climate Change Commission advises on the specific target for the Government to set later
Notes

Clause 2. If the Government sets a 2050 target now, which is the best target for New Zealand?
Position
Net Zero Emissions - Net zero emissions across all greenhouse gases by 2050
Notes

Clause 3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?
Position
Domestic emissions reductions (including from new forest planting) and using some emissions reductions from overseas (international carbon units) that have strong environmental safeguards
Notes
Planting trees is not enough. Until we stop pandering to animal agriculture no real change is going to come about. Dairy and meat farming is destroying our environment, wasting resources and taxpayer money. Until we address the fact that we need to revolutionise our lifestyles and approach to animal use no positive change will happen. I’m tired of the Ministry for Environment declaring that farming is 48% of our gas emissions and then never addressing ways to tackle this. Step up!

Clause 4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?
Position
No
Notes

Clause 6. Should the Government be able to alter the last emissions budget (i.e. furthest into the future)?
Position
Yes - the third emissions budget should be able to be changed but only when the subsequent budget is set
Notes

Clause 9. Should the Zero Carbon Bill require Governments to set out plans within a certain timeframe to achieve the emissions budgets?
Position
Yes
Notes

Clause 10. What are the most important issues for the Government to consider in setting plans to meet budgets? For example, who do we need to work with, what else needs to be considered?
Notes
Work with farmers. Work with producers of alternative meats and organic plant products that are better suited to NZ climate and a more efficient, clean use of resources.

Clause 11. The Government has proposed that the Climate Change Commission advises on and monitors New Zealand's progress towards
its goals. Do you agree with these functions? See p42 Our Climate Your Say

| Position | Yes |
| Notes |

Clause
12. What role do you think the Climate Change Commission should have in relation to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS)?

| Position |
| Advising the Government on policy settings in the NZ ETS |
| Notes |

Clause
14. Do you think the Zero Carbon Bill should cover adapting to climate change?

| Position |
| Yes |
| Notes |

Clause
16. Should we explore setting up a targeted adaptation reporting power that could see some organisations share information on their exposure to climate change risks?

| Position |
| Yes |
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