

# 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

We should be targeting earlier than 2050, and the government needs to move in lockstep to make it happen.

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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

NZ should be leading the way! We shouldn't be afraid to set an ambitious goal and believe that we can achieve it in a way that is good for our economy. It's time we walked the Clean Green walk!

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3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?

### Position

Domestic emissions reductions only (including from new forest planting)

### Notes

We should be exporting emissions credits, not importing them!!

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4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?

### Position

Yes

### Notes

Only to bring the dates forward. No loopholes for later excuses. Change needs to happen now! Whatever happens, we should be able to figure out solutions that fit with our goals and our obligations to future generations.

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5. The Government proposes that three emissions budgets of five years each (i.e. covering the next 15 years) be in place at any given time. Do you agree with this proposal?

### Position

Yes

### Notes

Yes, and the information on how we are performing should be extremely accessible. Bet more people would be on board if we could see our scoreboard.

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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

Only to be revised down - i.e. made more ambitious

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7. Should the Government have the ability to review and adjust the second emissions budget within a specific range under exceptional circumstances? See p36 Our Climate Your Say

### Position

No

### Notes

Whatever may come, minimising emissions should be part of our M.O.

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

**Position**

Yes

**Notes**

It should be a KPI of every portfolio/ministry.

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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**

Every department is responsible. Every part of government needs to have environmental considerations ingrained into everything that they do.

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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make?

**Notes**

NZ should be leading the world on this. Let's set a big, ambitious goal and then overachieve on it!!