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 2050 target in legislation now

**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 only (including from new forest planting)

**Notes**

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

**Notes**
If the science indicates the target should be brought forward, then we should be prepared to act more aggressively.

**Clause**
6. Should the Government be able to alter the last emissions budget (i.e. furthest into the future)?
**Position**
No - emissions budgets should not be able to be changed

**Notes**
Once the budget is set, it should only be that it is revised downward (i.e. tougher).

**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**
Participants in high-emission industries will need support to transition. We should be clear that certain sectors will simply not be tenable in the medium term and assist them to transition accordingly. We're beyond the 'economy vs environment' balance now - time's too short so it's inevitable that some sectors will take a hit.

**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
Makes decisions itself in respect of the number of units available in the NZ ETS
Notes

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

Clause
15. The Government has proposed a number of new functions to help us adapt to climate change. Do you agree with the proposed functions? See p47 Our Climate Your Say
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
Notes

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