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?
I want our government to set an ambitious emissions reduction target, as part of a vision for a low carbon future.

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? A 40% reduction target is realistic and achievable.

How will our contribution affect New Zealanders?

3. What level of cost is appropriate for New Zealand to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions? For example, what would be a reasonable reduction in annual household consumption?
Even using the government’s conservative and questionable economic modeling, New Zealand household income is still projected to increase from $73,000 per year today, to $83,200 per year in 2027 with a 40% emissions reduction target. It is important that New Zealand does its fair share. Many countries can claim ‘special circumstances’ but in the long run, every country will need to pursue a low-carbon future, regardless of their own set of challenges. The sooner we start down this path, the easier and cheaper it will be.

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?
I want the government to set in place ambitious policies to reduce emissions in New Zealand. I want the government to make it cheaper to buy a low emissions car, more convenient to travel by public transport and to set in place policies to help companies reduce pollution.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target? A clean energy future for New Zealand is 100% possible.

Other comments
6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain. Get John Key to stand down?