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Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for your time on the phone recently.

As discussed, the 26 point submission plan is very un-friendly. We appreciate the ability to provide feedback via this email. The lense through which we view gas and therefore our feedback is as a business using gas.

Our main feedback around this plan:

- The lack of thought, detail and specifics relating to the impact on businesses.
- Is not of sufficient detail or substance to constitute a plan – it is an “idea” at the very start of a potential transition.
- Is that it is through the lense is that of a Government entity with limited real-world implications given that the affected parties will be businesses in upstream, distribution and use.

Specifically we request the following be included in all future documentation:

A. Business Profiles

- How many businesses are affected?
- Where are they located?
- Size of business?
- What industries and uses?
- etc

B. Economic impact

- What is the economic impact on these businesses if they didn't exist through not using gas?
 - GDP
 - Jobs
 - Exports
 - Etc
- Cost benefit analysis

C. Phasing

- What is the earliest and latest that change may happen. This will allow everyone to plan.
- What might transitions look like? i.e. large users first, then medium followed by small?

D. Alternatives energy or different technology

- What energy alternatives are available? We would expect these to be identified and properly scoped.
- Cost of different energy options (min – max ranges)
- What is the impact on existing infrastructure (upstream/generation, distribution and business users). i.e. are changes to infrastructure required in generation, distribution pipes or businesses that use gas for manufacturing.
- What support could be offered to assist the transition. E.g. if change in technology is required – will there be incentives or support to transition?

- What current initiatives do businesses have in place for carbon reduction or offset. i.e. the net impact of carbon should be taken into account in business activities.

E. Role of opportunities / innovation

- What opportunities / innovations does a potential transition present?

We also request that the following information and steps be actioned in future documentation:

1. The above specifics / questions (A-D) are answered through data collection (quantitative) and engagement (qualitative) directly with businesses.
2. The quantitative and qualitative information be summarised, published and integrated into an updated plan.
3. That engagement with businesses is increased at every step of the process to ensure that reality is reflected in any documentation. We expect this would be beyond desk-based engagement and would include face to face and site visits of representative users split across different sizes, geographies and industries. This should include the information captured in A-E and 2 above along with ongoing engagement.

We wish to be heard in support of our submission please and kept in the loop / emailed at each stage of development please.

We would like to be involved in more contributing to the development of more detailed parts of the plan as proposed above.

We are happy to host you and any of the MBIE team to show the use of gas in a manufacturing capacity.

Regards

