

## Submission on the *Interim Hydrogen Roadmap*

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## Responses to questions

### Section 1: Hydrogen is emerging as an important part of the future global energy system

**Are there other issues we should be considering in our assessment of the strategic landscape for hydrogen in New Zealand?**

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The government should get out of the hydrogen game totally and stop wasting taxpayer money on it.

### Section 2: The role for hydrogen in New Zealand's energy transition

**Do you agree with our assessment of the most viable use cases of hydrogen in New Zealand's energy transition?**

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No

**Do you support some of these uses more than others?**

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Support none – let the market fund it if they wish.

**What other factors should we be considering when assessing the right roles for hydrogen in New Zealand's energy transition?**

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That you shouldn't be in the hydrogen game at all.

**Do you agree with this assessment of the potential for hydrogen supply and demand in New Zealand?**

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No

**Do you agree with the key factors we have set out that are likely to determine how hydrogen deployment could play out?**

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No

**What do you think needs to happen to address these factors?**

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Just get out of hydrogen – avoid taxpayer money for hydrogen support.

**Do you have any evidence to help us build a clearer picture?**

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It is rather obvious that the hydrogen bubble will burst without subsidies.

**Do you agree with our findings on the potential for hydrogen to contribute to New Zealand's emissions reduction, energy security and resilience and economic outcomes?**

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No

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**Do you have any insights we should consider on what is needed to make hydrogen commercially viable?**

Let the market look after itself. If it's worth anything then private enterprise can do it – not the taxpayer.

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**Is there any further evidence you think we should be considering?**

No

### Section 3: Government position and actions

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**Do you agree with our policy objectives?**

No

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**Do you agree with our positioning on hydrogen's renewable electricity impacts and export sector?**

No

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**Do you agree with the proposed actions and considerations we have made under each focus area?**

No

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**Is there any evidence we should be considering to better target actions in the final Hydrogen Roadmap?**

You don't need any target actions at all – burn your roadmap and stop wasting our money.

### General comments

It really is a mystery how the government could be taken in by something so silly as the green hydrogen game – leave it to die or grow by itself but don't waste any more taxpayer money on it.