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Dear Sir,

I would like to comment on process heat policy and regulation in NZ.

We are facing a Climate Change emergency, with fires, floods and other extreme weather events, only as the point of the iceberg of much more destabilising effects.

We cannot look at the face of our sins and daughters and say that we didn't do all we could to stop global warming.

I believe that is of the greatest importance to stop any new investment in fossil fuel plant. The limited efficiencies gained by Fonterra in their existing plants are more than outweighed by the building of new plant in the dairy industry, running on coal or gas. All new plant should be renewably fuelled, or we are just wasting our time.

Also, where existing fossil-fuel powered heat plant has an economic life that extends past 2030, the Government should put in place legislative and economic measures to ensure that this plant is replaced by heat plant that is powered by renewable energy sources.

I would like to add that replacing one form of fossil fuel energy source with another is completely unacceptable. In particular, the idea that natural gas is a "transition fuel" away from coal is nonsense. Fossil fuels should be replaced by renewables, not other fossil fuels.

Sincerely yours,

Jose L. Gay Cano