

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO CLIMATE CHANGE (NET ZERO
FUTURE) BILL 2023**

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Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

There are many good points in the current draft bill including a 50% reduction by 2030 and net zero by 2050. The bill also installs a Net Zero Commission to monitor and report on progress. It would be an improvement if the Net Zero commission could be tasked with providing government with its opinion and advice on the likely effect on emission targets of any new or expansion of emission intensive industries.

I believe the targets in the bill should be strengthened. With all the evidence we are seeing, around the world, of what are likely impacts of climate change a higher target of 70% reduction in emissions by 2035 would be more appropriate.

The bill should include requirements that climate impacts are considered in all government policy and decisions. One potential model is the Victorian Climate Change Act which embeds climate considerations into seven other acts.

The Bill should have as its aim to put a stop to endless expansion of coal mines and have immediate action to put NSW on a pathway to switch away from gas

The Bill needs to take into consideration the need for change in regional economies that will provide adequate training and new employment opportunities to offset any loss of jobs in the mining sector, including employment in emerging opportunities in the green energy sector

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