

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

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Climate Change (Net Zero Future) Bill 2023.

To whom it may concern

Firstly, I applaud you on taking positive action on this crucial Bill. However, I am raising some points that need to be addressed.

- 1) The functions of the Net Zero Commission should be amended so the Commission is required to provide advice on all new emissions-intensive developments, such as fossil fuel projects, so that it has a say in any coalmine expansion, with a moratorium until the Commission is up and running.
- 2) Targets should be strengthened with a set period.
- 3) The bill should embed action to address climate change as a core feature of all government decision-making.
- 4) The Bill should enable the NSW Government to set sectoral methane targets, and for the Commission to provide advice on those targets. Climate tipping points could be avoided with rapid methane reduction.
- 5) The Bill should bolster immediate action against ‘dangerous new coal expansion’, so that NSW moves away quickly from gas to alternatives.
- 6) Diversification, new job creation; training and skills opportunities need to be recognised in the Bill. Regional communities would welcome ‘community ownership and participation.

Keep up the good work. You’re on the right track.

Sincerely

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