

# AN OPEN LETTER TO THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT

## *It's time for climate action*

In New Zealand, and around the world, people are responding to the threat posed by climate change by joining together to create a better world with clean energy, good jobs and resilient communities.

We believe that climate action will not only protect our environment but will also help to unleash a wave of innovation to power our economy and help us to create a cleaner, healthier country.

With the world at a turning point, we need to grasp the opportunity to move our country to a clean energy future. New Zealand has the natural resources, technology and people to rise to the challenge of reducing our emissions.

The move to a low-carbon economy is starting already with businesses, people and organisations taking action, but this needs to be backed up by New Zealand government action on climate change.

Without the government pulling its weight we will not be able to make the necessary changes at the pace and scale required.

We are calling on the government to set ambitious targets to reduce emissions, create a long term plan for how to do it, and implement policies that can set us on the right path and empower New Zealanders to make low carbon choices.

Our beautiful country may be small but we do matter. The whole world needs to act and that includes us.

**A clean energy future for New Zealand is 100% possible. Let's make it happen.**

## *Climate Change Signatories*



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