
From: Tamara Linnhoff
Sent: Monday, 1 July 2024 2:03 pm
To: Marissa Quinn
Cc: Alexis Medder; John McCabe; Ed Smith; Peter Southey-Jensen (Parliament)
Subject: RE: MC lines relating to nuclear free (for nuclear fission) - s 9(2)(g)(i)

Thanks Marissa

Yes, we'll put it back with a replacement text, will be similar to:

This Government's policy is that New Zealand is nuclear free and so we do not intend to review current legislation. There is no current commercial interest in building traditional nuclear fission power stations in New Zealand.

You could add a note along the lines of:

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Thanks for this
Tamara

Ngā mihi,
Tamara Linnhoff
M: s 9(2)(a)
Manager, Electricity Generation, Infrastructure and Markets Policy
Energy Branch, BRM, Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment

From: Marissa Quinn <Marissa.Quinn@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2024 1:55 PM
To: Tamara Linnhoff <Tamara.Linnhoff2@mbie.govt.nz>
Cc: Alexis Medder <Alexis.Medder@mbie.govt.nz>; John McCabe <John.McCabe@mbie.govt.nz>; Ed Smith <Edward.Smith@mbie.govt.nz>; Peter Southey-Jensen <Peter.Southey-Jensen@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: MC lines relating to nuclear free (for nuclear fission) - s 9(2)(g)(i)

Hi Tamara

It came from the Minister, he wrote on it when it came to signing out the ministerial out.

Let me know how you want to approach it but could always put it back to the Minister with the new lines added in with notes along the lines of the below for his context.

Thanks,

Marissa
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From: Tamara Linnhoff <Tamara.Linnhoff2@mbie.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2024 3:21 PM

To: Marissa Quinn <Marissa.Quinn@parliament.govt.nz>

Cc: Alexis Medder <Alexis.Medder@mbie.govt.nz>; John McCabe <John.McCabe@mbie.govt.nz>; Ed Smith <Edward.Smith@mbie.govt.nz>

Subject: MC lines relating to nuclear free (for nuclear fission) - s 9(2)(g)(i)

Hi Marissa

Am keen to chat you about a message from the office to Ministerials:

-----Original Message-----

From: Energy Portfolio <Energy.Portfolio@parliament.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 11:31 AM

To: Alexis Medder <Alexis.Medder@mbie.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: SB24-409 Letter attached

Thanks Alexis - **we have had feedback from the Minister on this letter that this Governments policy is nuclear free.** Could you change the fourth paragraph to reflect that more clearly. I am also aware of another MC, SB24-440, which has similar lines - could that MC also be updated.

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Previous relevant correspondence:

[Document Overview: SB24-177](#) s 9(2)(a) [.docx \(wd.govt.nz\)](#)

[Document Overview: SB24-346](#) s 9(2)(a) [Response Letter.docx \(wd.govt.nz\)](#)

[Document Overview: SB24-401](#) s 9(2)(a) [Response Letter.docx \(wd.govt.nz\)](#)

Ngā mihi,

Tamara Linnhoff

M: s 9(2)(a)

Manager, Electricity Generation, Infrastructure and Markets Policy

Energy Branch, BRM, Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment

-----Original Message-----

From: Alexis Medder <Alexis.Medder@mbie.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 11:43 AM

To: Ed Smith <Edward.Smith@mbie.govt.nz>; John McCabe <John.McCabe@mbie.govt.nz>

Cc: Tamara Linnhoff <Tamara.Linnhoff2@mbie.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: SB24-409 Letter attached

Kia ora

Got some feedback on the nuclear power MCs

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<https://mako.wd.govt.nz/otcs/llisapi.dll/link/155690555>

Response letter SB24-440 s 9(2)(a)

<https://mako.wd.govt.nz/otcs/llisapi.dll/link/156353528>

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From: Alexis Medder <Alexis.Medder@mbie.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2024 4:31 PM

To: Energy Portfolio <Energy.Portfolio@parliament.govt.nz>

Cc: Ministerial Services <MinisterialServices@mbie.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: SB24-409 Letter attached

Kia ora

Please find attached our proposed response.

Ngā mihi
Alexis

-----Original Message-----

From: Energy Portfolio <Energy.Portfolio@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 5:55 PM
To: Ministerial Services <MinisterialServices@mbie.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: SB24-409 Letter attached

Kia ora

Please can we commission a response to the attached, to be returned by 6 June.

Ngā mihi
Tom

-----Original Message-----

From: s 9(2)(a) @gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 3:15 PM
To: Simeon Brown <Simeon.Brown@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: SB24-409 Letter attached

Dear Minister,

I attach a letter for your consideration.

Yours faithfully,

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Energy Portfolio Weekly Report

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Recipient

**HON SIMEON BROWN
MINISTER FOR ENERGY**

Action sought

Note the contents of this report

Justine Cannon
General Manager
Energy Markets Branch
Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

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10 May 2024

Minister's comments:

Pages 2-8 are out of scope

Out of scope

Innovation - Fusion

Tamara Linnhoff
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MBIE officials recently met with two firms involved in the development of fusion technology – Open Star Technologies (which is Wellington-based) and US-based, Type One Energy. Both firms are developing demonstration projects which aim to generate electricity from fusion before 2030 and prove that this technology can be commercialised.

Both firms have identified New Zealand as at the forefront of developing the innovative technologies needed to bring forward fusion technology, such as high temperature superconductors being developed at the Robinson Research Institute.

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Fusion generation is seen as a potential replacement for coal-fired generation, offering emissions-free baseload generation. Both firms suggested that fusion reactors could be placed within retired (or retiring) coal power stations and make use of the existing infrastructure which would make it relatively straightforward to incorporate into the existing energy system. The timing of when such systems will be commercially available is uncertain, though Type One Energy are confident they will have an operational prototype by 2029.

the rest of this document is out of scope