

## Appendix E    Format for submissions

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Questions	Comments
<b>Our assessment of Level Playing Field options</b>	
Q11. Are there any other material benefits or risks that should be considered (but are currently not) in our assessment of options?	<p>We believe special caution needs to be taken to ensure the continuing development of new renewables, as this supports greater competition and reduced wholesale prices over time, along with the desired outcome of reducing New Zealand's emissions.</p> <p>Ecotricity has been Toitū certified for over 10 years, facilitating long-term PPA's between solar farm developers and end consumers in a way that enables the rapid uptake of new renewables in New Zealand.</p> <p>It is therefore important to protect direct retailer contracts with renewable energy generators where the projects have received Carbonzero or Climate Positive certifications from Toitū or similar organisations. This will continue to foster the development of new renewable generation.</p>