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Good morning all,

All consulted agencies (PM&C, DISER, DAWE) have come back to Treasury following the second round of consultation on the ADB's draft energy policy. DISER's Resources Division was the only area to provide new comments – please see below. Other agency responses:

- PM&C – *given the ADB's proposals have not changed substantially and we're still working within the same policy parameters, happy for Treasury to continue advancing existing positions*
- DISER's Gas Division - *the Gas Taskforce does not have any comments on the policy.*
- DAWE – no comments.

Thank you

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Our fundamental concerns remain in this redraft. If the policy seeks to increase decarbonisation, then technologies which mitigate emissions from fossil fuels should be included, and the policy should explicitly identify this.

Overarching comments below:

- If the aims and objectives in the policy is to support the decarbonisation of the regions energy systems, focus should be made on supporting abatement technologies in coal fired power stations. This is not mentioned in Principle 2 *Building a Sustainable and Resilient Energy Future*.
- In addition, neglecting the role of existing firmed capacity is likely to result in insecure energy networks as intermittent renewables increase network share. Supporting policies which promote the decline of existing firmed capacity will likely result in greater energy insecurity.
- We recommend Para 74 identify the importance of technological upgrades to coal fired power stations which reduce emissions. This has not been mentioned and results in an unfortunate information gap. Should the ADB not support this activity then it should be explicitly mentioned in this section.
  - Suggest the following change (in red): Para 74- ADB will not support coal mining, processing, storage, and transportation, nor any new coal-fired generation (**aside from technological upgrades that mitigate emissions from existing power stations**).

Thanks.

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Hi Tony – we did not spot any factual inaccuracies either. Many thanks. s 22

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