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Cabinet Economic Development Committee

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Just Transitions: Report Back and Next Steps

Portfolio **Energy and Resources**

On 7 August 2019, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

- 1 **noted** that the Just Transitions Unit (JTU) was established in May 2018 to help shape and coordinate the work across government in transitioning to a low emissions economy through the use of partnership, developing a shared vision, and the provision of economic advice;
- 2 **noted** that the partnership approach implemented by the JTU is highly valued by stakeholders, but has been more resource intensive and requires different ways of working to typical government processes;
- 3 **noted** that maintaining a Just Transitions approach will require maintaining a commitment to partnership and support for partners, and that the government will need to consider trade-offs and costs as partnerships progress to the implementation of transition plans;
- 4 **agreed** that the government continue to support the Taranaki Roadmap transition partnership;
- 5 **noted** that economic advice on climate change processes will continue to include a Just Transitions lens;
- 6 **noted** that both the Just Transitions and Future of Work programmes are focussed on supporting workers through transitions and empowering workers to support/drive the changes necessary to deliver a more productive, sustainable and inclusive economy (at both a regional and national level);
- 7 **noted** that over time the government's Just Transitions programme is likely to increasingly merge with its Future of Work programme;
- 8 **agreed** that, at this stage, there is not a compelling case for extending the JTU's partnership approach beyond Taranaki, and that there is insufficient resourcing available to do so;
- 9 **noted** that other work underway across government, such as the development of Industry Transformation Plans, is underpinned by principles similar to those used by the JTU, albeit applied in a sectoral context;

- 10 **invited** the Minister of Energy and Resources to report back to DEV by August 2020, with further information on the Just Transitions work programme, following the completion of an independent evaluation and further embedding of the partnership approach in Taranaki.

Janine Harvey
Committee Secretary

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Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Phil Twyford
Hon Dr Megan Woods (Chair)
Hon Stuart Nash
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Willie Jackson
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