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## **SUBMISSION ON CLIMATE CHANGE REPORT**

WA's future climate change strategy has no choice but to be focussed on our mining industry. When 30% of our greenhouse gas emissions come from mining and another 29% from electricity generation (mostly from coal) this is where we must cut emissions. If we all bought electric cars tomorrow that would not lead to us meeting any Paris targets.

We need a renewable energy target

We need a CO2 emissions target

And these targets need to start NOW. ie, phased in so that we reduce C emissions by 50% by 2030 to reach a zero emission target by 2050.

The mining companies must pay their income tax, royalties and a carbon offset fee. Why would they invest in green technology otherwise? In the short term carbon sequestering and storage and offsets in the form of revegetation will be required.

The market will eventually not want our LNG, it will demand clean energy. As is happening with the alumina industry. Money needs to urgently go to research to improve our renewable energy technology. But we must start NOW.

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