

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

Are there any guiding principles for the Commission's activities which would provide any constraints to the advice and recommendations the Commission gives to the Cabinet particularly with regard to potential impacts on the climate or greenhouse gas emissions?

Answer:

The National COVID-19 Coordination Commission (the Commission) is focused on helping to minimise and mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 on jobs and businesses, and to facilitate the fastest possible recovery of lives and livelihoods. This is the basis upon which the Commission's advice and recommendations are formed.