

## Submission template

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**Q1. Do you have any further information, evidence, or concerns that you wish to raise in relation to the scenario design and analysis?**

It is comprehensive

**Q2. Do you have any further information or evidence that can help identify an optimum scenario for a net zero emissions gas sector in 2050?**

You have more expertise at your finger tips - zero emissions gas sector in shortest time frame is critical.

**Q3. What policies and/or regulations, if any, are needed to support the development of low carbon pathways such as biogas, green hydrogen, and carbon capture and storage?**

Clearly spelled out steps and time lines needed. (Carbon capture & storage is a distraction, not a solution)

**Q4. What is your view on the best ways to maintain the reliability and affordability of Victoria's gas supply if natural gas use declines?**

If natural gas use declines that's what's needed. Alternatives, incentives phased in. Important industry sectors most dependent on gas could be last users...

**Q5. What else can you tell us about the implications of decarbonisation pathways for the electricity generation, transmission and distribution networks?**

It's a huge opportunity for energy supply to be decentralised to community level - local grids. Old infrastructure will become stranded assets

**Q6. How can the use of Victoria's existing gas infrastructure be optimised during the transition to net zero emissions, over the short (10 years), medium (20 years) and long-term (30+ years)? How can the Victorian Government assist in this?**

You are the experts... decommission old infrastructure first?  
Will it be possible to use gas infrastructure to pipe hydrogen?

**Q7. What principles should apply or what measures will be needed to manage the impacts of gas decarbonisation on households and businesses?**

Ability to pay - poorest households shouldn't be expected to outlay \$ (or minimal). Incentives for landlords. Current heating upgrades that assist lower income households to replace old gas units a great idea...

**Q8. What policies, programs and/or regulations should the Victorian Government consider or expand to encourage households, commercial buildings and small businesses to reduce their gas use?**

Carrots not sticks...

**Q9. What policies, regulations or other support, if any, do you think are needed to support industrial users to switch from natural gas to lower emissions energy sources or chemical feedstocks?**

Ask them...

**How would you like your submission treated?**

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