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# Petroleum and the New Zealand Energy Strategy

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# Climate Change Solutions



# Renewable electricity target

90 per cent of  
electricity from  
renewable  
sources  
by 2025



# Renewables future makes economic sense

## New Build Generation Costs



# Role of fossil fuel generation

- All new electricity should be renewable except that for security of supply.
- Fossil fuel generation continues to play a critical role (particularly gas).



# Carbon capture and storage (CCS)

- CCS can provide low emissions supplies of energy from existing and new fossil-fuel generation.
- CCS still poses questions
- Much international research underway.
- Government policy group established to consider issues and regulatory options.



# 10-year restriction on new baseload thermal

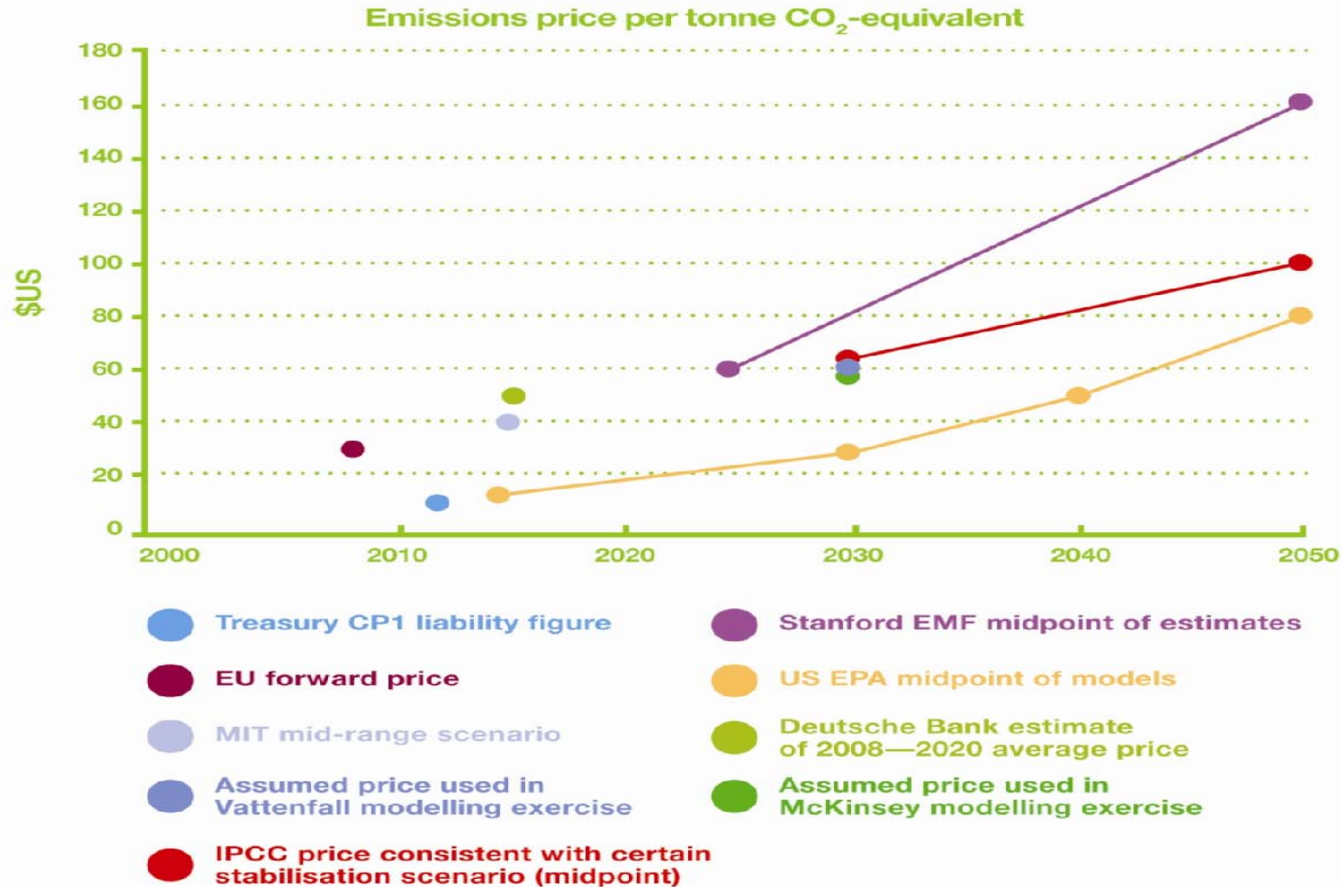
- 10-year restriction on the construction of new thermal generation above 10 MW whose fuel source contains 20% or more fossil fuels
- Restriction does not preclude new thermal generation below 10MW
- Small gas resources (e.g., coal seam gas) present opportunities to meet localised demand



# Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS)

- ETS allows market to seek lowest-cost ways of reducing carbon emissions
- Internationally favoured measure, ETS in line with others globally
- Will eventually include every sector of economy – forestry, liquid fossil fuels, stationary energy/ industrial processes, agriculture/ waste/ others
- Linked to Kyoto trading markets internationally

# Future cost of carbon



Source: Ministry for the Environment

# Global carbon markets - DEMAND

**Estimates for the Total Global Demand for Kyoto Units  
over 2008-2012 (Mt CO<sub>2</sub>e)**

**Source: World Bank (May 2007)**

<b>Country or Region</b>	<b>Demand for Kyoto Units</b>
EU 15	450
EU ETS	1,140
Japan	350
ROW	60
Total	<b><u>2,000</u></b>

# Global carbon markets - SUPPLY

## Estimates for the Global Supply of Kyoto Units over 2008-2012 (Mt CO<sub>2</sub>e)

Source: World Bank (May 2007)

Type of Kyoto Unit	Supply of Kyoto Units
CDM	1,500
JI	200
<b><u>Total CDM/JI</u></b>	<b><u>1,700</u></b>
AAUs (Russia)	3,200
AAUs (Ukraine)	2,200
AAUs (other)	1,700
<b><u>Total AAUs</u></b>	<b><u>7,100</u></b>

# More gas discoveries needed

- A continuing demand for gas supplies
- Current supplies are being consumed
- Clear that new discoveries need to be made in order to meet our future domestic demand



## **Onshore Taranaki Blocks Offer:**

- Enabling new gas discoveries
- Opening up opportunities to maximise chances in the New Zealand gas market

# Realising the potential of New Zealand's petroleum estate

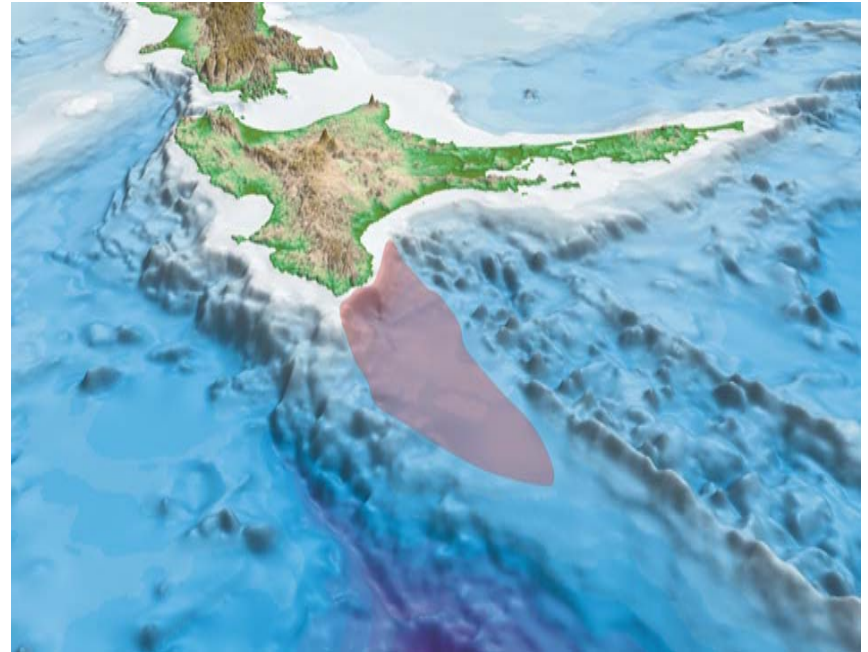
- Fossil energy remains part of the global energy supply chain
- Opportunities to discover world-class oil and gas deposits
- Potential overseas trading of large petroleum finds
- Positive indications: Tui and Maari oil fields
- Government actively encourages petroleum exploration and development



[www.nzog.net/tui](http://www.nzog.net/tui)

# Great South Basin (GSB) exploration

- GSB is around 500,000 square kilometres
- Government seismic survey indicated potentially large petroleum plays in GSB
- \$1.2 billion of exploration in first five years for GSB
- Further recent seismic survey indicates the *Raukumara sub-basin* is also of material size and is prospective for oil



Offshore Raukumara sub-basin

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