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Dr Rod Carr
Chair, Climate Change Commission
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Tēnā koe Rod,

Thank you for your correspondence of 24 September, which proposed updates to the Terms of Reference for the request for advice on 'what assistance, if any' should be provided to participants of a pricing system for agricultural greenhouse gas emissions.

We recently accepted a one-month extension to the delivery of final recommendations by the He Waka Eke Noa – Primary Sector Climate Action Partnership, which are now due by 30 April 2022. As our preference is for both sets of advice to arrive concurrently, the end date for our request to you has been updated to 30 April 2022.

As stated in the Terms of Reference, officials will continue to provide information as the Partnership's engagement and policy development progresses.

We are also pleased to accept your proposed updates and finalise the Terms of Reference, attached as Appendix One to this letter. We expect you will make them publicly available in accordance with Section 5K(3)(a) of the Climate Change Response Act (2002).

We would like to extend our gratitude in advance for the important contribution that this advice will make to putting in place the necessary architecture to reduce the emissions footprint of New Zealand's agriculture sector, and mitigate our contribution to the worst effects of climate change.

Nā māua noa, nā,

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Hon James Shaw
Minister for Climate Change

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Hon Damien O'Connor
Minister of Agriculture