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Your model for low emission vehicles is on a very small scale and doesn't include any vision for new technologies that will come out in the future, new technologies recognised globally today but not yet certified in NZ, and new vehicles that may be manufactured in NZ in the future. Just confining this proposal to fossil fuels and electric cars is exceptionally narrow minded.

If there is a standard to meet for a low emitting vehicle then surely this standard can be applied to any new technology that is invented in the future. This standard should be outlined in the new legislation so local companies know what standard they need to comply with when designing new vehicles.

This proposal should adopt all types of low emission vehicles that are certified to drive on NZ roads and people should be encouraged to buy whatever low emission technologies they prefer to buy.

The government should be supporting new industries with solutions that will help resolve real issues we are experiencing, while at the same time building a range of options for consumers to choose from.

We have a company in NZ involved with compressed air vehicles, Air Future. These are being built and comply on the road overseas. This company has plans to manufacture these vehicles here in NZ. We need a government proposal that supports all NZ industry who can comply with low emission standards.

Some specific points about the AIr Future low emission vehicles:

- The Air Future/MDI 'air cars' with compressed air energy storage (batteries) should be considered in the same light as electric vehicles with conventional battery storage.
- The import model of subsidising imported fuel efficient and electric vehicles is also applied to our locally manufactured new vehicles.
- That the AirPod is recognised as an ideal vehicle for inner city and local service within cities and towns in the majority of countries throughout the world. However the road user vehicle classification regulations in New Zealand have not yet been adjusted to include the AirPod category for on road certification restricting the AirPod to off road uses only. Such restrictions go against the objectives of the government low carbon policy initiatives and the AirPod, a near globally accepted small inner city vehicle that provides zero CO2 emissions, is consequently not road certifiable within New Zealand.

Limiting our population to just electric vehicles as low emission vehicles sets us up for power outages and constant increases in power prices. Putting the consumer on the path for vehicles they don't want to own.

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