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Subject: FW: Sending Gigablue meeting note to Minister's office

Kia ora Advice,

Can you please send this briefing for tomorrow's meeting with Gigablue to Minister Simmonds Office ( [26-BRF-00671-MEETING NOTE.docx](#))? Can you please highlight to the Minister's Office that we suggest sending **parts** of this note to Minister Patterson's office (Regional Development) as well as the following briefing ([25-BRF-00199 Marine Carbon Dioxide Removals](#)).

I will be out of the office from around 11.50. Please direct any queries to Matthew if you have any after this time,
Regards,

Matt

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Subject: RE: Sending Gigablue meeting note to Minister's office

Happy for this to be finalised and sent thanks team!!

Regards,

Aaron Napier

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Thanks Aaron.

Have added this to para 2 of the key points (taken from meeting notes for officials meeting with Minister today):

“The sequestered carbon cannot count towards New Zealand’s Nationally Determined Contribution at this time, and it likely won’t be able to contribute in the short to medium term.”

Cheers,

Matt

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Hi Team,

This looks good – can we please include a point about it being unlikely the removals from MCFS can be accounted for in our NDC. I want it made really clear that at this stage there is no climate mitigation benefit that can be accrued should that argument be made. Once that's done we're good to go.

Regards,

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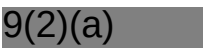
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Kia ora Aaron and Charlotte,

I am just getting in touch to assist getting this meeting note across to the Minister's office today (before close of day). I will be offline from just before midday today in travel, so making sure we have our ducks in a row, if we can't get this away before I go.

Here is the link to the meeting brief for sign-out -  [26-BRF-00671-MEETING NOTE.docx](#)

Once Aaron has signed off, we will need to send this to advice@mfe.govt.nz. It might be advisable to note in the email that we have suggested sharing parts of this note and this briefing ([26-BRF-00478-MEETING NOTE](#)), with Minister Patterson's office (sorry I am unsure as to what portfolio – best guess would be Regional Development).

If any issues, I'll be on plan from ~1pm to 2pm, and can be reached on 9(2)(a) . But Matthew should be able to assist while I am offline,

Cheers,

Matt