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Thanks Bonnie and Matt,  
That's helpful context. I have spoken to Jo and attached is her reply to MFAT. Thanks for your work on this.  
Ngā mihi  
David

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Kia ora kōrua,

I've had a look at the MFAT feedback on our initial draft vs the second version, as discussed with Matt.

Most of the MFAT comments were addressed in the second version – they included a neutral reframing of the key messages, a new section on risks to New Zealand, and changes to some acronyms and wording. Matt and I were very pleased with the comments they had left in their version, as they were very helpful and gave us good direction on how to proceed.

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 We have taken on board the latest MFAT feedback and are likely to incorporate all of it, excepting the part about removing information on their regulatory proposals as this relates directly to the request from the Minister. Matt, our legal advisor and I are also meeting with the EPA and MFAT on Friday to discuss their feedback.

Matt and I have found the MFAT feedback very helpful and have really enjoyed working with our colleagues on Molesworth St. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to be more helpful.

Ngā mihi,

Bonnie

**Bonnie Hartfield** ([she/her](#))

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