Organisation questionnaire response

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What organisation do you represent? (required)	COOLmob
What is your name?	Bridget Edmunds
(required)	
What is your position at the organisation?	Sustainable Living Coordinator
(required)	
Please rank the proposed options in order of preference.	Option A - 3rd, Option B - 2nd, Option C - 1st
(optional)	
(optional) Briefly, what are your reasons for your choice? (optional, 3000 character limit)	The proposed New Vehicle Efficiency Standards (NVES) offer a crucial opportunity to align with global efforts and transition towards sustainability. This submission urges for aggressive targets, emphasizing the adoption of zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) by 2035. Urgency of Climate Action: The urgency of addressing the climate crisis necessitates a rapid transition to ZEVs in Australia. Setting emission targets aligned with international standards is crucial, advocating for all new car sales to be ZEVs by 2035 at the latest. Impact Analysis and Long-term Benefits: Accelerating the transition to ZEVs under Option C will yield substantial benefits. By 2050, Option C is estimated to reduce CO2 emissions by an additional 74 million tonnes, contributing significantly to the government's climate targets. Supply Considerations and Transition Period: Concerns regarding supply adjustments within the automotive industry are mitigated by the two-year transition period provided under Option C. Car manufacturers have ample time to adapt their supply chains, given the widespread availability of ZEVs in the global market. Moreover, the foreseeable nature of the government's intention to introduce NVES since 2022 underscores the industry's preparedness for regulatory
	Addressing Affordability and Market Shifts: Potential price increases for high-emission vehicles can be managed through innovative measures such as credit trading between car manufacturers. This approach not only subsidizes the cost of ZEVs but also incentivizes the overall shift towards cleaner vehicles. Furthermore, the inclusion of SUVs in the passenger vehicle category ensures equitable emission standards across vehicle types, reflecting consumer preferences and promoting environmental sustainability.

	Promoting Lighter Vehicles and Penalties for Non-compliance: Encouraging the purchase of smaller, lighter vehicles is essential for reducing emissions and improving fuel efficiency. Lowering the weight threshold or eliminating weight-based adjustments altogether can incentivize consumers to choose more environmentally friendly options. Additionally, imposing substantial penalties for non-compliance, as seen in the European Union, is crucial for incentivizing car manufacturers to meet emission targets. Closing Loopholes and Real-time Emissions Testing: The exclusion of supercredits and loopholes, coupled with limitations on credit banking and trading, ensures the integrity of the NVES framework. Real-world testing of vehicle emissions, including onboard fuel consumption monitoring, is essential to prevent manufacturers from manipulating laboratory tests. Implementing stringent regulations in this regard safeguards against inaccurate emission reporting and ensures transparency in compliance.
Do you support the Government's preferred option (Option B)? (optional)	Yes
Do you have any feedback on the analysis approach and key assumptions used?	No
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Briefly, describe how the NVES might impact your organisation (optional, 3000 character limit)	The implementation of New Vehicle Efficiency Standards (NVES) could have a significant impact on COOLmob, a sustainability education initiative in Darwin, and the broader community. Firstly, NVES would likely lead to increased awareness and adoption of zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) in Darwin, aligning with COOLmob's mission to promote sustainable transportation solutions. This shift towards ZEVs could reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improving air quality and public health in Darwin. Additionally, NVES may stimulate innovation and investment in cleaner vehicle technologies, providing opportunities for COOLmob to engage with local stakeholders and promote sustainable practices. Overall, the NVES could serve as a catalyst for positive environmental and social change in Darwin, reinforcing COOLmob's efforts to create a more sustainable and resilient community.
Who should the regulated entity be?	NULL
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