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Australia	Yes
1a. Please explain why.	This is a fair reflection of the changed conditions within which GreenPower operates.
1b. Are there any other key drivers not included here?	Yes
1c. If yes, please list.	Renewable energy is now in most cases cheaper than legacy coal and gas. This significant shift in price over recent years means that consumers are being asked to pay more for renewable energy through retailers when purchasing GreenPower despite the fact that renewable energy is in reality helping moderate and drive down electricity prices. In other words, GreenPower currently sends the wrong signal to consumers about the reality of cheap renewable energy.
2. Should a vintage requirement for GreenPower certificates be introduced?	Yes
2a. Please explain why.	Greenpeace supports an interim proposal to limit lifespan of LGCs to 3 years or shorter as the interim role of GreenPower should be to encourage new renewable energy development, rather than encouraging the ongoing trading of older certificates. In the longer-term, this should be restricted to new renewable energy projects only.
2b. What should the validity period be for a vintage requirement for GreenPower certificates?	36 months
3. Do you agree with GreenPower aligning its generator accreditation dates with the CER accreditation date?	Yes
4. Does Option A sufficiently address the demand from stakeholders to recognise the RET for 100% renewable electricity claims?	Yes
4a. Please explain why.	Both of these options are sufficient as a short-term, interim measure.
5. What are the advantages of Option B?	Both of these options are sufficient as a short-term, interim measure.
5a. Would fixing the recognised RET percentage be a good solution to deal with the annual changes to the RPP?	Yes
5b. Please explain why.	
6. The proposal is a solution that can be quickly implemented. Should GreenPower consider a different approach in its long-term program design?	Yes
6a. Please explain why.	The problem still remains that consumers are being asked to pay more for renewable electricity when the reality of the market is such that they should be paying less. GreenPower needs to be updated to better reflect this. Greenpeace strongly supports the option that at the household level GreenPower provides a star-rating system about electricity retailers (replacing the need for the Green Electricity Guide) and that this should become a primary role of GreenPower.
7. Which minimum percentage do you think is the most appropriate if Option B noted in 4.3.2 is chosen?	50%
7a. Please explain why.	50% or above to ensure the voluntary component is always greater than the RET as noted in the review.

8.Should GreenPower's mission expand to include all forms of renewable energy, for example hydrogen?	Yes
8a. Please explain why.	Yes the mission should expand to reflect the rapid evolution of the energy market and the need to play different roles across different parts of the energy sector.
8b. Is the role of GreenPower the same across different energy carriers?	No
8c. Please explain why.	
9.Is there anything else that you think should be part of GreenPower's mission statement?	No
9a. If yes, please list.	
10. Please give each of the below items a score between 1 and 5 for how important it should be for the development of the program's mission and objectives, 5 being of the highest importance. You can give the same score to several items.	3
- Increase awareness and demand for voluntary renewable energy products	
10. - Decrease nationwide greenhouse gas emissions from energy use	5
10. - Support new voluntary markets for emerging renewable energy and fuel types	3
10. - GreenPower products should be 100% renewable	3
10. - GreenPower products should lead to new and additional renewable energy projects being built and dispatched	3
10. - GreenPower products should be transparent, independently audited and assured	3
10. - GreenPower products should be affordable	5
10. - GreenPower products should be aligned with best practice carbon accounting frameworks	5
10. - GreenPower products should enable consumers to reduce and avoid energy-related emissions	5

10. - GreenPower products should support best practice in renewable energy development to improve environmental, social and economic outcomes in their host communities		5
10. - Advocate for consistent and best practice renewable energy and carbon accounting		5
10. - Advocate for best practice energy product marketing to enable informed decision making by consumers		5
12. Should GreenPower focus on maximum additionality, electricity carbon accounting, or should both types of products be supported?	Both types of products should be supported	
13. Should a vintage requirement for GreenPower certificates be considered in the long-term design of GreenPower?	No	
13a. Please explain why.	Preferred option is restricting to new renewable energy generation only.	
14. Should GreenPower consider a generator age limit approach?	No	
14a. Please explain why.	Preferred option is restricting to new renewable energy generation only.	
15. Should GreenPower restrict participating generators to new projects only?	Yes	
15a. Please explain why.	Because this ensures maximum additionality.	
16. How well would this option deliver on the GreenPower mission and objectives?	Very well	
16a. Does this differ for households, small and large businesses?	Yes	
16b. Please explain why.	Greenpeace proposes that the primary focus of GreenPower for consumers is to provide a highly credible, frequently updated star-rating system of electricity retailers, replacing the need for the Green Electricity Guide.	
17. Which organisations would be most suited to partner with GreenPower to drive awareness and uptake of GreenPower, and why?	GreenPower should establish its own, independent marketing strategy with a well-resourced budget. For households, a rating system of electricity retailers could involve partnerships with consumer organisations such as Finder and Choice.	
18. Would you support GreenPower increasing program fees so that the program manager can increase its marketing and promotional activities?	Yes	
19. Should retailers be blocked from joining GreenPower if they sell green products that are not linked to renewable energy generation?	Yes	

20. What other changes to the program could provide the same level of clarity for consumers?	Prioritise strategy for households to a well-researched, updated and promoted rating system about electricity retailers, that includes assessment of carbon offsets vs actual renewable energy generation (and higher scores for those retailers focussed on renewable energy generation rather than offsets).
21. Should GreenPower set strict requirements for how providers promote GreenPower and onboard GreenPower customers, i.e. how easy it is to get GreenPower?	Yes
22. Are there any other customer segments that are unable to access GreenPower?	No
24. Should GreenPower reduce its accreditation requirements, or make them stricter?	GreenPower should make its accreditation requirements stricter
24a. what do you think is the benefit of either approach?	There is merit in exploring accreditation which includes local environmental impact (which, for example, should include no deforestation) and social licence as this could help lift industry standards and approaches to project development.
25. What are the most important aspects that GreenPower should consider in its generator assessment?	Deforestation, community consultation, supply chain emissions, strategy for recycling beyond lifespan of the project.
26. Do you see value in an official environmental rating for electricity retailers, and in GreenPower developing this rating?	Yes
27. How could this be made administratively efficient and commercially attractive for retailers that perform well environmentally?	Greenpeace strongly supports this proposal, and would encourage GreenPower to work with the AEMC and CER to compel all electricity retailers to provide uniform data on emissions intensity sold and other factors that form the scoring system. This would ideally lead to a better-resourced version of the Green Electricity Guide with greater certainty for timing of updates, which may negate the need for Greenpeace to continue publishing the Green Electricity Guide.
30. How important is 24/7 renewable electricity coverage to businesses in Australia?	Extremely important