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	Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania
Australia	Yes
1a. Please explain why.	
1b. Are there any other key drivers not included here?	Yes
1c. If yes, please list.	There are significant government subsidies to households to install rooftop PV solar systems, while GreenPower is a cost to households.
2.Should a vintage requirement for GreenPower certificates be introduced?	Yes
2a. Please explain why.	To ensure that GreenPower payments are driving additional investment in renewable energy generation.
2b. What should the validity period be for a vintage requirement for GreenPower certificates?	Shorter
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.	
5. 5What are the advantages of Option B?	
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.	GreenPower needs to deliver on the ideal that it is helping to drive the development of large scale renewable energy generation.
7. Which minimum percentage do you think is the most appropriate if Option B noted in 4.3.2 is chosen?	100%
7a. Please explain why.	As we need to move to a grid that is 100% renewable, it sends a clear signal that is the outcome we need to reach. Also, State Governments are committed to reaching net zero emissions by 2050 at the latest, so 100% renewable energy is consistent with moving to that goal.
8.Should GreenPower's mission expand to include all forms of renewable energy, for example hydrogen?	Yes
8a. Please explain why.	It is consistent with the need to achieve net-zero emissions as soon as possible. GreenPower can also provide a clear assurance that the products it certified are not associated with fossil fuels.
8b. Is the role of GreenPower the same across different energy carriers?	Yes

8c. Please explain why.	GreenPower should help people have confidence that the product is genuinely a renewable energy product and does not involve fossil fuels.	
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.		5
<b>- Increase awareness and demand for voluntary renewable energy products</b>		
10. - Decrease nationwide greenhouse gas emissions from energy use		5
10. - Support new voluntary markets for emerging renewable energy and fuel types		4
10. - GreenPower products should be 100% renewable		5
10. - GreenPower products should lead to new and additional renewable energy projects being built and dispatched		5
10. - GreenPower products should be transparent, independently audited and assured		5
10. - GreenPower products should be affordable		4
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.	Given GreenPower requires the payment of a premium, it is not reasonable to expect people to pay extra to long established generators that are economic without the consumers paying a premium to them. Any additional payment for GreenPower should only be to cover administration costs for the scheme when involving established generators. Only if GreenPower is funding new renewable energy sources and is helping them get off the ground is it reasonable for a premium payment to be imposed on people purchasing GreenPower, as the additional renewable energy generation is what they are expecting they are paying for.
14. Should GreenPower consider a generator age limit approach?	Yes
14a. Please explain why.	The age limit should be set to reasonably match what a renewable energy generator would expect to be the support from GreenPower to make it worthwhile for a majority of them to feel that GreenPower accreditation is worthwhile.
15. Should GreenPower restrict participating generators to new projects only?	No
15a. Please explain why.	GreenPower is struggling to attract people willing to pay the premium, so further price increases are likely to have a negative impact. The other options in the consultation seem better ways to improve the delivery of the objectives of GreenPower.
16. How well would this option deliver on the GreenPower mission and objectives?	Moderately well
16a. Does this differ for households, small and large businesses?	Yes
16b. Please explain why.	Households, small and large businesses are likely to have different motivations for getting involved in GreenPower. It would be worth surveying these different groups to identify the different motivations.
17. Which organisations would be most suited to partner with GreenPower to drive awareness and uptake of GreenPower, and why?	Environmental organisations and energy retailers that support the transition to a 100% renewable energy generation grid. We, the Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, are promoting GreenPower to our church members.
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?	

<p>21. Should GreenPower set strict requirements for how providers promote GreenPower and onboard GreenPower customers, i.e. how easy it is to get GreenPower?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>22. Are there any other customer segments that are unable to access GreenPower?</p>	
<p>24. Should GreenPower reduce its accreditation requirements, or make them stricter?</p>	
<p>24a. what do you think is the benefit of either approach?</p>	<p>GreenPower needs to maintain its promise that the energy provided under its brand is renewable energy free from fossil fuels. The accreditation requirements should be strict enough to achieve that.</p>
<p>25. What are the most important aspects that GreenPower should consider in its generator assessment?</p>	<p>That the generator is providing renewable energy free from fossil fuels. It should also ensure that there has been proper environmental assessment, community consultation and benefits and supply chain emissions and risks of modern slavery in the supply chain have been addressed.</p>
<p>26. Do you see value in an official environmental rating for electricity retailers, and in GreenPower developing this rating?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>27. How could this be made administratively efficient and commercially attractive for retailers that perform well environmentally?</p>	
<p>30. How important is 24/7 renewable electricity coverage to businesses in Australia?</p>	