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Residential Buildings Mandatory Disclosure – Consultation Regulatory Impact Statement - July 2011

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This submission template should be used to provide comments on Residential Building Mandatory Disclosure Consultation Regulatory Impact Statement (CRIS).

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General/overall comments

- I object to the proposed measures.
- I am a homeowner with no current plans to sell or lease a property.
- I am a town planner and firmly believe in human induced climate change and that effective mitigation measures (such as a carbon tax) should be implemented.
- I don't consider the proposed mandatory disclosure laws are an effective or realistic mitigation measure.
- While utility costs are currently expensive, I don't believe this cost relative to the cost of housing is or will be a significant factor in a consumer's choice to purchase or lease a property. Given this, I don't believe mandatory disclosure laws would sufficiently influence decision making in the housing market or effect market outcomes to favour energy efficient housing.
- I don't believe the benefit will outweigh the cost of providing disclosure statements in an already unaffordable housing market.
- I don't see the statements will assist (as claimed) the marketing of a property as energy efficient – this can be achieved without regulation.
- The newspaper adverts should include a web address for MD page
- Thanks for the opportunity to comment.