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Sent: Saturday 5 February 2022 20:54
To: CARBON BUDGET CONSULTATION
Subject: Urgent: Ireland Needs Accurate and Just Carbon Budgets!

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Dear Minister Ryan and Government,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am writing to you in regards to the urgent topic of Ireland's Carbon Budgets.

As a youth constituent, I am painfully aware of the urgency of meaningful climate action, and I am deeply saddened by the detriment that the collective inaction of the Global North has already caused to the Most Affected People and Areas of the World. That is why I am joining Climate Case Ireland in calling for the following:

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3. Respect Climate Justice!
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The UN says emissions reductions of 7.6% are needed on global average each year until 2030 for a chance of staying below 1.5°C and that assumes achieving massive "negative emissions" later. Your government promised average annual reductions of 7% in the Programme for Government. The Climate Change Advisory Council (CCAC) has proposed less than 6%.

7% = Budget of 468 MtCO₂e to 2030 (-27 compared to CCAC proposals)
7.6% = 454 MtCO₂e (-41)

Even these are much too large. To do our fair share and comply with the Climate Act we need MUCH SMALLER budgets! Excluding speculative negative emissions, our fair share of the global budget for 1.5C is set to be used up 3 years from now!

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4. No Accounting Tricks
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Carbon budgets should count emissions and removals in the relevant 5-year period. The Government must rule out accounting tricks like borrowing speculative future removals to balance the books (on paper) today!

Thank you for your time. I hope you will share my passion for this serious, pressing issue, and do everything in your power to ensure that Ireland is truly committed to Climate Justice.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,