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Re: 7.6% Emissions Reductions  
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Dear Minister Ryan,

I agree with the points made in the attached image by Climate Case Ireland, who had to bring the government to court to get us this far regarding implimenting climate budgets and climate law.

We need to be bold, pragmatic and accountable about our emissions. Let's not play politics and start rowing back now, practicing our magic accounting skills. We, must be, better than that.

Best Regards  
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## Dear Minister Ryan and the Government,

### 1. **Respect climate justice!**

The UN says emissions reductions of 7.6% are needed *on global average* each year until 2030 for a chance of staying below 1.5C - 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 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e to 2030 (-27 compared to CCAC proposals)

7.6% = 454 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e (-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!

### 2. **No accounting tricks!**

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!

