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Hi,

The carbon budgets proposed by the Climate Change Advisory Council in its letter to Minister Eamon Ryan are not consistent with Ireland's commitments under the Paris Agreement, and fall far short of the emissions cuts we need to make to stay within our share of the global carbon budget for 2 degrees, let alone 1.5 degrees. In particular, the proposed carbon budget for the period 2021-2025 (aiming for a 4.8% annual average reduction in emissions) is a shameful failure to live up to our obligations to future generations and to the global community.

The UNEP estimated in 2019 that we needed to reduce emissions globally by 7.6 per cent each year between 2020 and 2030 to keep global warming to 1.5 degrees or less. As a wealthy country, a climate "laggard", and a country with per-capita emissions far higher than the global average, Ireland has a responsibility to reduce our emissions much faster than this.

We have delayed meaningful climate action for far too long. It's time to face up to the emergency.

Kind Regards,
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