

Media statement – Meeting with the Minister of Energy, Megan Woods, in New Plymouth

Elemental Group welcomes the announcement from Energy Minister Woods today outlining the next steps for offshore renewable energy in Aotearoa. The announcement today detailed the Government's plan to seek feedback on proposed approaches to managing feasibility activities for offshore renewable energy development in Aotearoa.

Commenting on the announcement Elemental Director, Nick Jackson said:

“We are very encouraged by today's announcement which demonstrates that the Government is as focused on creating a clean renewable energy future as we are. While we are yet to analyse the details, we welcome the announcement of the public consultation which will open the opportunity for developers to progress feasibility work with greater certainty earlier.

“We support the focus the Government is placing on the important role mana whenua/mana moana play in this future-focused, intergenerational opportunity. In Minister Woods' own words only developers that are truly respectful of tangata whenua will be successful.”