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Victorian State Election Candidate Survey - November 2014

## Candidate Comments - Question 10

**Question 10. Climate Change:** South Australian has a renewable energy target of 50% by 2025, and the ACT has a target of 90% by 2020. Would you support a bill for a transparent target for renewable energy in Victoria akin to targets in SA and ACT?

**Animal Justice Party | Eastern Victoria Region | BACON, Kristin**

In addition to a strong transition to renewables, the Animal justice Party would like to see governments and environmental agencies finally addressing the undeniable links between climate change (and most other environmental destruction) and animal agriculture.

**Animal Justice Party | Southern Metropolitan Region | WALSHE, Nyree**

Question 10. I would like to know what the renewable energy target is for Victoria. I would need to know more about this issue to support any particular level. I am in favor of Renewable Energy development.

**Australian Christians | Western Metropolitan Region | ROGERS, Geoff**

Should be managed Federally.

**Australian Country Alliance | Murray Plains District | WINN, Bryon**

The policy is under development - I believe that there is a combination of man made and other issues affecting the environment. The party is currently developing policy to look after the environment.

**Australian Country Alliance | Ripon District | DOMASCHENZ, Trevor**

Climate change. We all need to live more modestly with house sizes and general standard of living and aim for less people on the planet(not by war or famine or disease etc). Planting trees is not a viable solution for either CFI or carbon pricing.

**Australian Country Alliance | Eastern Victoria Region | JONES, Andrew**

Both SA and the ACT have smaller populations than Victoria and while I am in favor of renewable energy so far we have not invented a form of renewable base load power supply that can supply our growing population.

**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Cranbourne District | PERERA, Jude**

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**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Dandenong District | WILLIAMS, Gabrielle;**

**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Mill Park District | D'AMBROSIO, Lily**

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**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Eltham District | WARD, Vicki**

We need to have a clear target that is transparent

**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Wendouree District | KNIGHT, Sharon**

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**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Northern Victoria Region | SYMES, Jaclyn**

I can't say whether or not I would support a bill without seeing the detail. Thanks for taking the time to conduct your survey and seek my response.

**Australian Labor Party - Victorian Branch | Western Victoria Region | PULFORD, Jaala**

This depends on what final determination the Cth makes on a national RET but if they vacate the field yes, Victoria should act.

**Independent | Bayswater District | CARBONARI, John**

A unified nationwide target strategy would be preferable.

**Independent | Gippsland East District | GARDNER, Peter**

I am a single issue candidate on climate change which is the dominant issue

**Independent | Murray Plains District | HICKS, Nigel Anthony**

I support renewable energy and have policy in this area but setting targets I am uncomfortable with

**Independent | Eastern Victoria Region | DAVID, Jean-Michel**

I support renewable energy initiatives (excluding wind and wave) and State financial assistance or benefits for this. I do not support the establishment of unnecessary bureaucracies that has often been proposed alongside such, nor or setting specific targets.