THE OPPORTUNITY PARTY

SUMMARY ONLY OF ELECTRIFICATION AND ENERGY-RELATED POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS AS AT 21 OCTOBER 2026

ENERGY USER	POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS
HOUSEHOLDS & RENTERS	• Low-interest home electrification loans through the Ratepayer Assistance Scheme • Raise Healthy Homes standards for rentals, including a right to charge EVs • Building Code based on real performance; new builds wired for EV charging & solar • Re-fund and double the Warmer Kiwi Homes subsidy scheme (about $200m a year), adding solar, and open it to cover eligible rentals • Tax write-offs for energy upgrades, including solar and batteries
BUSINESSES, FARMS AND INDUSTRY	• $1 billion fund from ETS revenue to get industry off coal and gas • Tax breaks (accelerated depreciation and fringe benefit tax exemption) for businesses buying / leasing new EVs
COMMUNITIES & MĀORI	• Government co-investment in community-owned generation and storage
TRANSPORT USERS	• Free public transport • Fully funded mandate for councils to electrify public transport by 2030 • Tax breaks (accelerated depreciation and fringe benefit tax exemption) for businesses buying / leasing new EVs
PUBLIC SECTOR Schools, public housing, government	• Switch the public sector vehicle fleet to EVs as vehicles are replaced (or hybrids where justified) • Fully funded mandate for councils to electrify public transport by 2030
EVERYONE Market-wide policies	• Opposes the LNG import terminal • End the Gas Security Fund that subsidises exploration • Merge the five energy regulators into one • Will not split the gentailers • Secure cross-party agreement on a 30GW capacity target for 2050 and a 25-year Energy Strategy • Overbuild renewables; keep Huntly only for true emergencies • Consolidate management of the 29 lines companies into no more than 8 • Reform network revenue rules to free up money for grid upgrades

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