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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for bringing forward Bill 213. I found the notice of public opportunity to provide input at this hearing far too short to attend the hearing in person. I am concerned that the target being set of net zero by 2050 is too long in the future and too risky. This is because the 2018 IPCC report requirements were conditional on two major assumptions that are not bearing up. The first is that we could invent technologies to capture carbon from the air on a massive scale. Such technologies do not exist and are not on the horizon, so this is a false assumption. The second assumption is that feedback loops would not start soon; however, this is also a false assumption as the thawing of the arctic permafrost has accelerated far faster than expected, releasing methane and other emissions into the atmosphere in an accelerating manner. To give our province a chance of a livable future we must be more ambitious and lower net carbon emissions to net zero by 2030 at the very latest. This effort might be challenging but it will also give our population a common purpose and we can put our province to work on a just and rapid transition to a more self-sustaining and healthy society. Nova Scotians are strong, creative and resourceful and we can rise to this opportunity to lead by example by putting a high value on clean air, clean water, healthy food and a green future. Believe in us and lead us into a better tomorrow.

Thank you,

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