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## **National Civil Defence Emergency Management Strategy**

### **1. Purpose**

To advise the Group of the release of the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Strategy.

### **2. Background**

The Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 (the Act) requires the Minister of Civil Defence, on behalf of the Crown, to prepare a National CDEM Strategy by December 2003. The purpose of the National Strategy is to set out the Crown's priorities for CDEM in New Zealand for the next 10 years.

The Minister released the National Strategy on 6 August 2003 and it is open for public submission until 12 September 2003.

### **3. Presentation**

We have invited the Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management to present the National Strategy to the Group at its meeting on 14 August. At the time of writing this report, confirmation of the Ministry's availability had not been received.

### **4. Submission**

The National Strategy is an important document for the Group. The CDEM Group Plan to be prepared and approved by Group must not be inconsistent with the National Strategy.

Given the timing of submissions, it is recommended that the Group ask the Co-ordinating Executive Group to assess the Strategy and to prepare and submit a submission on behalf of the Group.

**5. Recommendation**

*That the Group ask the Co-ordinating Executive Group to prepare and submit a submission on behalf of the Group on the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Strategy.*

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