

**Southland Regional Council (Environment Southland)**

**Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan**

**MINUTE AND DIRECTIONS OF HEARING COMMISSIONERS**

**Minute 16**

**INTRODUCTION**

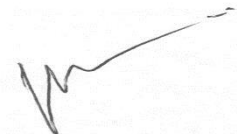
1. This Minute contains the Hearing Panel's decision on a request for an extension to the timeframes for lodging evidence-in-chief by DairyNZ.
2. 15 previous Minutes have been issued by the Hearing Panel. A list of these Minutes is attached in Appendix 1.

**REQUEST BY DAIRY NZ**

3. In Minute 6, the Hearing Panel directed a timetable for the lodging of evidence-in-chief and rebuttal evidence for all submitters before the hearing of the submissions.
4. On 11 May 2017 the Hearing Panel received a request from DairyNZ outlining their request for an extension to the timeframes directed by the Hearing Panel in Minute 6, specifically for the lodging of their evidence-in-chief. DairyNZ has requested an extension as follows:
  - a. DairyNZ's evidence-in-chief to be filed by **5pm Monday 15 May 2017**.
5. DairyNZ has set out the following reasons for the request:
  - a. A policy team member has fallen ill and will not be able to prepare their evidence in time.

**DIRECTIONS**

6. The Panel has considered the request and agrees to grant the extension as requested in paragraph 4.
7. The Panel does not consider it necessary to extend the date for filing rebuttal evidence opposing DairyNZ's evidence-in-chief.



Rob van Voorthuysen (Chair) for and on behalf of the Hearing Panel

**12 May 2017**

## Appendix 1 – Record of Minutes Issued

<b>Minute Number</b>	<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
1	10 October 2016	Late submissions
2	15 December 2016	Transpower waiver application
3	16 February 2017	Late further submissions
4	10 March 2017	Hearing panel conflict of interest
5	28 March 2017	Response to memorandum of Counsel for Ngāi Tahu about cultural evidence
6	6 April 2017	Notice of hearing and procedural matters
7	13 April 2017	Decision on extension request from Fish & Game
8	13 April 2017	Decision on extension request from Ngāi Tahu
9	13 April 2017	Decision on extension request from Beef + Lamb
10	13 April 2017	Decision on extension for all submitters
11	27 April 2017	Decision on extension request from Federated Farmers
12	3 May 2017	Decision on extension request from Chris Hansen
13	10 May 2017	Decision on extension request from B and A Hunt
14	11 May 2017	Decision on extension request from Councils
15	11 May 2017	Decision on extension request from Fish and Game
16	12 May 2017	Decision on extension request from Dairy NZ