IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

ENV-2018-CHC- 34 AND 35

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14(1) of

the First Schedule of the Resource

Management Act 1991

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Proposed Southland Water

and Land Plan

BETWEEN **BEEF + LAMB NEW ZEALAND**

Appellant

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

To: The Registrar

Environment Court

Christchurch

TAKE NOTICE that Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) gives notice pursuant to s274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 that it wishes to appear as a party to the above proceedings.

This Notice is made upon the following grounds:

- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) lodged a submission and Further submission to the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan to which this appeal relates and/or has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the public generally.
- 2 Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) has an interest in all of the appeal, in particular in relation to:

Rule 20(d)

- Federated Farmers lodged a Further Submission on this Rule, and have our own appeal of the provision;
- We have a strong interest in the appeal given its potentially to significantly impact on our members.
- It is our view that the current matters of discretion are adequate to meet the objectives of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014 and to ensure consistency with Part 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- We consider that a consent approach that includes considerations of the quality of, and compliance with Farm Environmental Management Plans, and uptake of good management practices is appropriate, and will in fact lead to better on the ground outcomes. It will ensure a focus on the effects of activities, rather than the activities themselves.

Policy 18(2a)

- Federated Farmers lodged submissions and further submission on this policy.
- We have an interest in the appeal of the policy given any changes have potential to impact on our members.

Rule 70(e)

- Federated Farmers lodged Submissions and Further Submissions on this Rule.
- We agree with the appellant that the Plan would benefit from clarity as to what measure of 'stock unit' is intended. This would ensure the plan's certainty, and assist with implementation and enforcement.
- We support the appellant's appeal in this regard.
- 4. Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) agrees to attend mediation and/or dispute resolution in regard to these proceedings.

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