BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA

UNDER the Resource Management Act 1991

IN THE MATTER of appeals under Clause 14 of the First Schedule of the

Act

BETWEEN TRANSPOWER NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-26)

FONTERRA CO-OPERATIVE GROUP

(ENV-2018-CHC-27)

HORTICULTURE NEW ZEALAND

(ENV-2018-CHC-28)

ARATIATIA LIVESTOCK LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-29)

WILKINS FARMING CO (ENV-2018-CHC-30)

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MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL FOR SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL REGARDING ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION 31 May 2019

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(ENV-2018-CHC-31)

DAIRYNZ LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-32)

HWRICHARDSON GROUP

(ENV-2018-CHC-33)

BEEF + LAMB NEW ZEALAND

(ENV-2018-CHC-34 & 35)

DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CONSERVATION

(ENV-2018-CHC-36)

SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

(ENV-2018-CHC-37)

MERIDIAN ENERGY LIMITED Act 1991

(ENV-2018-CHC-38)

ALLIANCE GROUP LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-39)

FEDERATED FARMERS OF NEW ZEALAND

(ENV-2018-CHC-40)

HERITAGE NEW ZEALAND POUHERE TAONGA

(ENV-2018-CHC-41)

STONEY CREEK STATION LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-42)

THE TERRACES LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-43)

CAMPBELL'S BLOCK LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-44)

ROBERT GRANT

(ENV-2018-CHC-45)

SOUTHWOOD EXPORT LIMITED, KODANSHA TREEFARM NEW ZEALAND LIMITED, SOUTHLAND PLANTATION FOREST COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND

(ENV-2018-CHC-46)

TE RUNANGA O NGAI TAHU, HOKONUI RUNAKA, WAIHOPAI RUNAKA, TE RUNANGA O AWARUA & TE RUNANGA O ORAKA APARIMA

(ENV-2018-CHC-47)

PETER CHARTRES

(ENV-2018-CHC-48)

RAYONIER NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-49)

ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY

OF NEW ZEALAND (ENV-2018-CHC-50)

Appellants

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT

- This Memorandum of Counsel is filed on behalf of the Southland Regional Council (**Council**) in respect of the appeals against the Council's decision on the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan.
- 2 On Wednesday 29 May 2019, the Court issued a Minute which responded to the Memorandum of Counsel for Southland Regional Council dated 24 May 2019.¹
- In this Minute, the Court stated that it "adopts the Regional Council's proposed order of cross-examination commencing with the Regional Council, then followed by the appellants and s 274 parties in turn." The Court then directed that the Council confirm that this is the order that is shown in the hearing schedule filed on 24 May 2019.²
- Counsel notes that the updated hearing schedule did not pre-empt the Court's direction in relation to this. Accordingly, no particular order was followed (with the exception of the Council being the first on the list of cross-examination).
- Upon reflection, Counsel no longer considers that an order requiring appellants to cross-examine prior to section 274 parties is tenable. For example, where a witness is being cross-examined, some parties will be an Appellant on some matters covered in that witnesses' evidence, but a section 274 party on other matters addressed in that evidence.
- Accordingly, Counsel respectfully suggests that the cross-examination order commences with the Council, and the order of subsequent parties is determined at the commencement of the hearing.

DATED this 31st day of May 2019

PAC Maw / KJ Wvss

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Minute of the Environment Court dated 29 May 2019.

Minute of the Environment Court dated 29 May 2019 at [4].