BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT CHRISTCHURCH

I MUA I TE KŌTI TAIAO Ō AOTEAROA KI ŌTAUTAHI

UNDER the Resource Management Act

1991

IN THE MATTER OF an appeal under Clause 14(1) of

the First Schedule of the Act in relation to the proposed Southland

Water and Land Plan

BETWEEN TRANSPOWER NEW ZEALAND

LIMITED

ENV-2018-CHC-026

and others

Appellants

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL

on behalf of Section 274 Party Invercargill City Council (Water Manager)

Dated: 13 October 2021

Filed by INVERCARGILL CITY COUNCIL

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Solicitor Acting: M D Morris e: Michael.Morris@icc.govt.nz The Invercargill City Council (Water Manager) is a Section 274 Party to the following Appeals:

Transpower New Zealand Limited ENV-2018-CHC-026 and Wilkins Farming Company Limited ENV-2018-CHC-030 and Gore District Council, Southland District Council, Invercargill City Council ENV-2018-CHC-031 and Southland Fish and Game Council ENV-2018-CHC-037 and Alliance Group Limited ENV-2018-CHC-039 and Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga ENV-2018-CHC-041 and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Hokonui Rūnaka, Waihopai Rūnaka, Te Rūnanga o Awarua and Te Rūnanga o Oraka Aparima ENV-2018-CHC-047

Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ Incorporated ENV-2018-CHC-050

and

Southland Regional Council, Respondent

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT

- 1. This memorandum is filed in preparation for the Pre Hearing conference on 19 October 2021.
- 2. There is only one outstanding issue unresolved for the Invercargill City Council (Water Manager) (ICC Water Manger) and this is Topic B1 Issue 6 being the wording of Policy 42(2).
- 3. There is proposed wording agreed to by the majority of Parties, but not all, to resolve this issue.
- 4. In response to the issues, the Court seeks confirmation on:
 - 4.1 The evidence timetable proposed is acceptable.
 - 4.2 The issues of fact and opinion to be resolved are agreed.
 - 4.3 The Water Manager is not seeking to call a witness to this issue, making only legal submissions.
 - 4.4 No experts to be called.
- 5. Given the limited nature of the ICC Water Manager's interest, Counsel is seeking leave to be excused from attending the Pre Hearing Conference on 19 October 2021¹.
- 6. Counsel confirm that the ICC Water Manager will agree by all and any directions the Court makes in relation to this last issue.
- 7. Counsel also confirms that there are no other concerns / comments to make that are not otherwise outlined in this Memorandum.

Dated this 13th day of October 2021

Michael Morris

Counsel for Invercargill City Council (Water Manager)

To: The Registrar

Environment Court

Attention: Maddy Brownlee

CHRISTCHURCH

¹ In accordance with Direction 15 (f) of the Minute dated 4 October 2021.

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