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Subject: ENV-2018-CHC-26-50 - Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan Appeals

Good morning,

I have referred the following to Judge Borthwick for her consideration:

- (a) Interlocutory application filed by counsel for Aratiatia Livestock Limited, dated 22 May 2019;
- (b) Interlocutory application filed by counsel for Waiau Rivercare Group Limited, dated 22 May 2019; and
- (c) Memorandum filed by counsel for Southland Regional Council, dated 22 May 2019.

Judge Borthwick directs:

- (1) Closing submissions aside, leave is granted for Mr D Allan, counsel for Aratiatia Livestock Limited to be excused from Topic A hearing save in relation to the presentation of his client's case and the cross-examination of Meridian' planning witnesses. I note Aratiatia's opening submission is to be given by Ms Jordan;
- (2) Opening and closing submissions aside, leave is granted for Mr R Donnelly, counsel for Waiau Rivercare Group Incorporated to be excused from the hearing save in relation to the evidence pertaining to Objectives 10 and Objective X; and
- (3) The court is of the view that parties who do not call evidence are to give their closing submissions at the end of the hearing after all the evidence has been called. Some parties may not wish to make both and opening and closing and so any party may seek leave to vary this direction.

J E Borthwick Environment Court Judge 24 May 2019

Kind regards,



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