

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH
I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
KI ŌTAUTAHI**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND appeals under clause 14 of the First
Schedule of the Act

BETWEEN ARATIATIA LIVESTOCK
LIMITED

(ENV-2018-CHC-29)

(and all other appellants listed in
the Schedule attached)

Appellants

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL
COUNCIL

Respondent

Before: Deputy Environment Commissioner R M Dunlop

Held: on Wednesday 9 August 2023 at 10.00 am

In Attendance: P Maw and I Edwards for the Southland Regional Council
K E Forward for the Dairy Interests
P D Williams for Director-General of Conservation Tumuaki
Ahuei
B S Carruthers for Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc and
Wilkins Farming Company Ltd
J G A Winchester for Ngā Rūnanga
S Galbreath for Southland Fish & Game Council and Royal
Forest & Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc
V Hamm for Ballance Agri-Nutrients Limited

**MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
Record of Judicial Conference**



Directions

[1] The Southland Regional Council (“the Council”) will circulate to the parties in writing, as soon as possible, Mr Maw’s description provided during the conference of issues that attach to interfacing the Resource Management (Freshwater Farm Plans) Regulations 2023 and pSWLP Appendix N FEMP provisions. Relevant considerations include the staged introduction of the Regulations by catchment; application of sections 20A and 86F RMA and rule 20; amendments to pSWLP Appendix N; the date when applicable pSWLP provisions are made operative; and desirability of not duplicating farm plan preparation under different regimes.

[2] The parties will collaborate in proposing an approach for dealing with the matters at [1], including an appropriate date for when relevant pSWLP provisions are made operative and related Appendix N amendments. The proposed approach is to be included in the Council’s memorandum to be filed 18 August 2023.¹

[3] Should a party wish to express a different view from the Council on matters traversed at [2], they are to be recorded in the 18 August 2023 memorandum.

[4] Should it be relevant, the 18 August 2023 memorandum may propose directions for both the filing of submissions on any matters not agreed between the parties and a process for determining such.

R M Dunlop
Deputy Environment Commissioner

Issued: 09 August 2023



¹ [2023] NZEnvC 158 at [45].

Schedule – List of appellants

ENV-2018-CHC-26	Transpower New Zealand Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-27	Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-29	Aratiatia Livestock Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-30	Wilkins Farming Co Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-31	Gore District Council & others
ENV-2018-CHC-32	DairyNZ Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-33	H W Richardson Group Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-34	Beef + Lamb New Zealand
ENV-2018-CHC-36	Director-General of Conservation
ENV-2018-CHC-37	Southland Fish and Game Council
ENV-2018-CHC-38	Meridian Energy Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-40	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Southland Province) Inc
ENV-2018-CHC-41	Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga
ENV-2018-CHC-44	Wilkins Farming Co Limited (previously Campbell's Block Limited)
ENV-2018-CHC-45	Wilkins Farming Co Limited (previously Robert Grant)
ENV-2018-CHC-46	Southwood Export Limited & Others
ENV-2018-CHC-47	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Hokonui Rūnaka, Waihopai Rūnaka, Te Rūnanga o Awarua & Te Rūnanga o Oraka Aparima
ENV-2018-CHC-49	Rayonier New Zealand Limited
ENV-2018-CHC-50	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated