# BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT CHRISTCHURCH

#### ENV-2018-CHC-000030

**UNDER** the Resource Management

Act 1991 ("RMA")

**IN THE MATTER** of appeals under Clause 14

of the First Schedule to the RMA in relation to the decision on the proposed Southland Water and Land

Plan

BETWEEN WILKINS FARMING

**COMPANY LTD** 

Appellant / s274 Party

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

## MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL FOR WILKINS FARMING COMPANY LTD RAISING CHALLENGE TO SCOPE

29 July 2022

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### **MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT**

- 1. Any party disputing scope for relief has been directed to file a memorandum by 29 July 2022 identifying the relevant provision and briefly stating the basis for the challenge.
- 2. In the decisions version of the plan, Rule 20(a)(iii)(1) restricted the area of intensive winter grazing to the lesser of 15% of the landholding or 100ha.
- 3. Since November 2021 the Regional Council has been promoting an alternative restriction: the greater of 10% of the landholding or 50ha.
- 4. In the decisions version of the plan, Rule 20(a)(iii) did not restrict the slope of land on which intensive winter grazing could occur.
- 5. Since November 2021 the Regional Council has been promoting a new restriction: a maximum slope of 10 degrees.
- 6. No appeal seeks these changes.
- 7. No appellant has provided evidence in support of these changes.

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