## BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT CHRISTCHURCH

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**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND** 

**IN THE MATTER** of appeals pursuant to Clause 14 of the

First Schedule to the Act in relation to the proposed Southland Water and Land

Plan

**BETWEEN** Wilkins Farming Co (ENV-2018-CHC-30)

Gore District Council, Southland District

Council and Invercargill City Council

(ENV-2018-CHC-31)

Southland Fish & Game Council (ENV-

2018-CHC-37)

Federated Farmers of New Zealand

(ENV-2018-CHC-40)

Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society

of NZ Inc (ENV-2018- CHC-50)

**Appellants** 

AND Southland Regional Council

Respondent

MEMORANDUM SEEKING THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE OIL COMPANIES' (Z ENERGY LIMITED, BP OIL NEW ZEALAND LIMITED, AND MOBIL OIL NEW ZEALAND LIMITED) S274 INTERESTS IN RELATION TO TOPICS B1 AND B2 OF THE PROPOSED SOUTHLAND WATER AND LAND PLAN

## 26 March 2021

To: The Environment Court

WX 11113 or PO Box 2069

Christchurch 8013, New Zealand

Attn: Case Manager - Karina Kelly

May it please the Court

1. The Oil Companies (Z Energy Limited, BP Oil New Zealand Limited and Mobil Oil New

Zealand Limited) are party to appeals by Wilkins Farming Co, Southland Fish and Game

Council, Federated Farmers, Royal Forest and Birth Protection Society and the

Territorial Authorities (Gore District Council, Southland District Council, and

Invercargill City Council) in relation to Topics B1 and B2 of the proposed Southland

Water and Land Plan.

2. We have been instructed to seek to withdraw the Oil Companies' interests in Topics

B1 and B2 of the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan. The other parties were

advised of the Oil Companies' intent to withdraw on 24 March and no parties have

raised an issue as to costs.

3. The Oil Companies request that the Court confirms that the Oil Companies are granted

leave to withdraw from Topics B1 and B2 and are not required to attend mediation in

the week commencing 29 March.

4. The Oil Companies' interests in relation to Topics B6 and B7 remain.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021

Signature of person authorised to sign on behalf of the Oil Companies.

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