

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
CHRISTCHURCH REGISTRY**

ENV-2018-CHC-000039

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of appeals under Clause 14(1) of the First
Schedule of the Act in relation to the
proposed Southland Water and Land Plan

BETWEEN **Fonterra Co-operative Group Ltd**

Appellant

AND **Southland Regional Council**

Respondent

**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE
PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 274 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

To: The Registrar

Environment Court

Christchurch

1. Horticulture New Zealand ("**HortNZ**") wishes to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("**RMA**") to the following proceedings:
 - (a) *Fonterra Group Ltd v Southland Regional Council* (**ENV-2018-CHC-000039**) being an appeal against decisions of the Southland Council on the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan.
2. HortNZ made submissions and further submissions on the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (submission number 390 and further submission number 390).
3. HortNZ also has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the general public as it represents interest groups in the community that are likely to be adversely affected by the proposed relief sought by the Respondent
4. HortNZ is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
5. The parts of the proceedings HortNZ is interested in are:
 - (a) Policy 16 – Farming activities that affect water quality
 - (b) Rule 20 d) – Farming
 - (c) Rule 54 – Abstraction and use of Groundwater
6. The particular issues and whether HortNZ supports, opposes or conditionally opposes the relief sought are set out in the attached table.

7. HortNZ agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



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ATTACHMENT 1

Provision Appealed by Fonterra Co-operative Group Ltd	Scope for s274 (HortNZ submission point reference)	Support / Oppose	Reasons
Policy 16 – Farming activities that affect water quality	390.13 and FS on 210.55, 572.1, 661.24 and 803.25	Support	HNZ supports the deletion of Policy 16 (1) b) as it would not be possible to implement the policy until such time as the FMU processes are complete.
Rule 20 d) – Farming	390.29 and FS on 277.27, 265.50, 279.27 and 752.63	Support	The information to be included in an application has to be able to be reasonably determined and provided. Such information is based on modelling and so information that cannot be modelled should not be sought in the manner set out in Rule 20 d) 1)
Rule 54 – Abstraction and use of Groundwater	390.34 and FS on 414.10 and 247.17	Support	While metering and recording of water takes is appropriate, a daily recording requirement is an unnecessary requirement unless there is a water shortage. HortNZ supports the amendment of the provisions to be a more workable and reasonable requirement.

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