

BEFORE THE SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER OF The Resource Management Act 1991 (**Act**)

and

IN THE MATTER OF an application by Woldwide One Ltd and Woldwide Two Ltd for various land use, discharge and water permits associated with expansion of a dairy farm (**APP-20191052**); and

an application by Woldwide Four Ltd and Woldwide Five Ltd for various land use, discharge and water permits associated with expansion of two dairy farms (**APP-20191140**)

**MINUTE OF HEARING COMMISSIONERS
REGARDING NEW HEARING DATES AND EXTENSION OF TIMEFRAME**

Hearing dates

- 1 We have now heard from the parties in relation to preferred dates for the Woldwide One and Two hearing and the Woldwide Four and Five hearing. We thank the parties for their efforts to agree on suitable dates.
- 2 Considering the preferred dates provided to us and the availability of all parties we have determined that the hearing for Woldwide One and Two will commence on the afternoon of 30 September, and the hearing for Woldwide Four and Five will commence on the 3rd October. Both hearings are set down for two days. Start times will be advised by Ms Bragg in due course.
- 3 The site visit for both hearings will be on Wednesday 2 October if time permits, or alternatively on Saturday 7 October. This will be confirmed during the week of the hearings.
- 4 Circulation of evidence is required in accordance with s103B. Evidence is to be provided in electronic form to Ms Bragg no later than 3pm on the dates shown below:

Woldwide One Ltd & Woldwide Two Ltd hearing

- s42A Hearing Report and any Council evidence **9 September 2019**
- Applicant's evidence **16 September 2019**
- Submitters' expert evidence **23 September 2019**

Woldwide Four Ltd & Woldwide Five Ltd hearing

- s42A Hearing Report and any Council evidence **12 September 2019**
- Applicant's evidence **19 September 2019**
- Submitters' expert evidence **26 September 2019**

Extension of timeframes

- 5 Due to the need to reschedule the hearings the statutory time period by which the hearings must be closed (22 August) cannot be met. We therefore extend this time period to twice the period allowed, in accordance with sections 37 and 37A. We do not at this stage consider that the full doubling of time will be required, but we have extended the timeframe for this period to avoid the need for a further extension at a later date.
- 6 We consider that there are special circumstances that warrant this extension, in particular: the applicants' proposal of significant additional mitigation measures prior to the original hearing dates, the complexity of the applications, the time required to audit the new information, and the difficulty in setting new dates for which all parties are available. We have considered the interests of all persons who may be directly affected

by the waiver, the interests of the community in achieving adequate assessment of the effects of the proposal, and our duty to avoid unreasonable delay. The extension is necessary to allow these applications to be heard and we do not consider there will prejudice to any party.



Emma Christmas

Chair

Dated: 18 August 2019