

Tēnā koe Erin

As you know, we act for the Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust (“the Trust”) in the proceedings relative to the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region prepared by the Greater Wellington Regional Council.

We refer to our recent correspondence, in particular, our email advising that we will likely have four witnesses. We wish to confirm that we will now only have three witnesses presenting evidence in support of the Trust’s submissions, and that these witnesses are:

- Phillip Percy;
- Jason Kerehi; and
- Mike Kawana.

As it stands however, we are advised that the witnesses above are unlikely to meet the deadline of 5pm, Friday 5 May 2017 for pre-circulation. Accordingly, we respectfully seek an extension until 5pm, Tuesday 9 May 2017 on the following grounds:

1. The volume of the material to peruse necessary for the drafting of the evidence is significant;
2. Jason Kerehi has been in Christchurch for other work matters, limiting the amount of time he has been able to review his evidence;
3. Mike Kawana has also been away for other work matters, limiting the amount of time he has been able to review his evidence;
4. Due to the absence of both Jason and Kerehi, we have been unable to finalise a number of points within their evidence;
5. The time is necessary to allow all three witnesses to review/sign their evidence to ensure that they are comfortable with it;
6. As we have requested that the witnesses present their evidence at the later part of the Hearing Week scheduled to start 22 May 2017, with reference to ‘Minute #2 – Final Procedures for Hearing of Submissions’ dated 9 December 2016, the evidence will still be pre-circulated within the two weeks (10 working days) time bracket;
7. If the applicant or any other party wishes to rebut our evidence or parts of it, our request does not preclude or prejudice them in doing so as there is no requirement for that to be pre-circulated i.e. our request for time will not require a further request for time by other parties.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Ngā mihi  
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**Huia Harding**  
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