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Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region

by: New Zealand Transport Agency

Submitter

Memorandum of Counsel on behalf of the New Zealand Transport Agency regarding future pre-hearing conferencing

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MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF THE NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT AGENCY REGARDING FUTURE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCING

Introduction

The New Zealand Transport Agency (*Transport Agency*), wishes to advise the Greater Wellington Proposed Natural Resources Plan (*PNRP*) Hearing Panel (*Panel*) of proposed pre-hearing conferencing between the "Infrastructure Group" in relation to upcoming hearing streams.

The Infrastructure Group

- The "Infrastructure Group" wishes to engage in pre-hearing conferencing for the remaining PNRP hearing streams, to be independently facilitated and coordinated by Nicky McIndoe of Kensington Swan.
- The Infrastructure Group welcomes any input or guidance from the Panel in relation to the proposed conferencing. In particular, whether there are any key matters or provisions that the Panel considers would benefit from consideration by the Infrastructure Group, or whether there is an alternative preference for presenting the outputs.

Process for conferencing

- The purpose of the proposed conferencing is to assist the Panel by identifying areas of alignment between infrastructure providers that can be presented at the relevant PNRP hearing. Accordingly, the Transport Agency anticipates that:
 - 4.1 The pre-hearing conferencing will take place between evidence circulation and hearing presentations; and
 - 4.2 The outputs of the conferencing will be presented at each hearing respectively, as an appendix to oral submission statements.
- The outcomes of the Infrastructure Group conferencing will be available for any other interested parties, upon request to Nicky McIndoe at Nicky.McIndoe@kensingtonswan.com.

Dated: 30 June 2017

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As indicated in the Transport Agency's joint memorandum in response to the Hearing Panel Minute 5, dated 14 June 2017.