

**In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Wellington Registry**

**I Te Kooti Taiao O Aotearoa
Te Whanganui-a-Tara Rohe**

ENV-2019-WLG-127

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)

In the matter of an appeal under clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the Act

Between **South Wairarapa District Council**
Appellant

And **Wellington Regional Council**
Respondent

**Notice of Transpower New Zealand Limited's wish to be party to
proceedings**

Dated 9 October 2019

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To The Registrar
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- 1 Transpower New Zealand Limited (**'Transpower'**) wishes to be a party to an appeal by South Wairarapa District Council (**'South Wairarapa DC'**) against the decisions of the Wellington Regional Council (the **'Respondent'**) on the proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region (the **'Proposed Plan'**) (Court reference ENV-2019-WLG-127).
- 2 Transpower made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3 Transpower also has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest the general public has. This is in relation to the regionally significant infrastructure addressed in Objective O12A. The Proposed Plan defines 'regionally significant infrastructure' as including the National Grid. Transpower owns and operates the National Grid, and its assets across the Wellington Region include 12 substations, 25 transmission lines, three submarine cables, four high voltage direct current links, five overhead fibre cables, and seven communications sites.
- 4 Transpower is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 5 Transpower is interested in part of the proceedings, being those aspects of the appeal that are set out below at paragraph 6 of this notice.
- 6 Transpower is interested in the following particular issue:
 - a South Wairarapa DC seeks the addition of a new Objective O12A relating to the functional need and operational requirement of regionally significant infrastructure.
- 7 Transpower supports the addition of the new Objective 12A as it supports Transpower's suggested new Policy P13A, which is set out in its notice of appeal.
- 8 Transpower agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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