

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT WELLINGTON  
TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA**

**ENV-2024-WLG-000047**

**IN THE MATTER** the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF** An appeal under clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 of  
the Resource Management Act 1991

**BETWEEN** **HUTT CITY COUNCIL**  
Appellant

**AND** **WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
Respondent

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER  
SECTION 274 ON BEHALF OF WINSTONE AGGREGATES**

9 December 2024

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS  
UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT  
1991**

1. Winstone Aggregates (**Winstone**) wish to be a party to the following proceedings:
  - a) Hutt City Council's (**UHCC**) appeal against the decision of the Wellington Regional Council on proposed Plan Change 1 to the Wellington Regional Policy Statement.
2. Winstone made a submission and further submission on proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Policy Statement.
3. Winstone is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. Winstone is interested in part of the proceedings. The part of the proceedings Winstone is interested in are:
  - a) **Chapter 3.1A: Climate Change:** Objectives CC.2 and CC.3; Policies CC.2 and CC.2A and CC.4.
  - b) **Chapter 3.8 Natural Hazards:** Objective 19, Policies 29 and 51.
5. And any consequent amendments or other relief arising from the appellant's appeal on these points.
6. Winstone made a submission and further submission on the climate change provisions.

7. Winstone did not make a submission on Chapter 3.8 Natural Hazards provisions, however it has an interest greater than the public generally as a quarry operator in the region and its quarrying operations will be directly affected by the Hazard provisions which introduce provisions that will adversely affect its ability to quarry.
8. Winstone has also filed a Notice of Appeal (ENV 2024-WLG-000051) of the RPS-PC1 provisions.
9. Winstone is the largest manufacturer and distributor of aggregates in the country. The company operates several quarries in the Wellington Region including Belmont Quarry, Otaki Quarry and Petone Quarry. These operations provide a local and reliable supply of aggregates for construction in the region that is essential for roading, construction and infrastructure development. The availability of a locally sourced aggregate is crucial for minimising transportation costs and ensuring a sustainable supply of materials. Aggregates are a vital ingredient in ensuring the region meets its objectives of suitable public infrastructure, resilience planning and affordable housing, and underpin's the growth outcomes sought by the NPS-UD.
10. Winstone's s 274 interest in HCC's appeal (in summary) is to ensure that the RPS-PC1 and provisions:
  - (a) Properly recognise the importance and benefits of aggregates and quarrying.
  - (b) Ensure that the RPS provides policy recognition and support for continued pathways for quarrying in the region providing security of supply.
  - (c) Ensure that the RPS recognised the site specific nature of aggregate extraction and the need to quarry in areas where the resource is located, protected significant resource deposits from reverse sensitivity effects and Policy that does not recognise the unique characteristics of quarrying.

- (d) Ensure that land long set aside for quarrying activities at its existing sites was not sterilised as a result of the Policy framework implemented through RPS-PC1.
  - (e) That the RPS introduced policy that gave proper effect to NPS-FM, NPS-UD and NPS-IB, in a more balanced and integrated way by ensuring that it gave equal recognition to the use as well as protection elements of those National Directions (including reference to the consenting pathways for quarrying of aggregates and clean-filling and aggregate extraction), including providing for the interaction of those activities.
  - (f) Avoids unnecessary duplication.
9. Winstone **supports** the relief requested by HCC.
11. Winstone agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**Dated:** 9 December 2024



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