

**In the Environment Court
Wellington Registry
I Mua I Te Kōti Taiao O Aotearoa
Te Whanganui-ā-Tara Rohe**

ENV-2019-WLG-000103

Under the Resource Management Act 1991
And in the matter of an application under Section 274 of the Act

Between

Horticulture New Zealand

Appellant

and

Greater Wellington Regional Council

Respondent

**Notice of Meridian Energy Limited's wish to be party to
proceedings**

9 October 2019

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To: The Registrar
Environment Court
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1. Meridian Energy Limited (**Meridian**) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - (a) *Horticulture New Zealand v Greater Wellington Regional Council*
– ENV-2019-WLG-000103.
2. Meridian made a submission and a further submission about the subject matter of the proceedings and has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has as a renewable energy generator and provider with interests in the Greater Wellington Region.
3. Meridian is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the **RMA**).
4. Meridian is interested in part of the proceedings.
5. Meridian is interested in the following parts of the proceedings:
 - (a) Amendments sought to Policy P14.
6. Meridian opposes the relief sought, including for the following reasons:
 - (a) The reinstatement of 'new' into Policy P14 is not appropriate as it will not explicitly address reverse sensitivity effects arising from changes to existing activities;
 - (b) The relief sought fails to give effect to Policy D of the National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity Generation 2011 (the **NPSREG**) as required by section 75(3) of the RMA; and
 - (c) The relief sought is otherwise contrary to Part 2 and the purpose of the RMA being to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources.

7. Meridian agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



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