

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
WELLINGTON REGISTRY**

ENV-2019-WLG-000103

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal pursuant to Clause 14(1) of
the First Schedule to the Act

BETWEEN Horticulture New Zealand
Appellant

AND Greater Wellington Regional Council
Respondent

**NOTICE OF REPRESENTATION AT PROCEEDINGS
UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

To: The Environment Court Registrar
PO Box 5027
Wellington

1. Powerco Limited (“Powerco”) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - 1.1 ENV-2019-WLG-000103 between Horticulture New Zealand (“Appellant”) and Greater Wellington Regional Council (“Respondent”) in relation to the respondent’s decisions on submissions to the Proposed Wellington Regional Plan (“the Proposed Regional Plan”).
2. Powerco lodged submissions on the Proposed Regional Plan on the subject matter of the proceedings.
3. Powerco is New Zealand’s second largest gas and electricity distribution company. In the Wellington Region, Powerco operates both gas and electricity networks. This comprises an electricity network within the Wairarapa, covering the area from south of Eketahuna to Cape Palliser and a gas network covering Wellington City, Hutt Valley and Porirua.
4. Powerco is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
5. Powerco is interested in the following matters raised by the Appellant:
 - 5.1 Policy P14: Incompatible activities adjacent to regionally significant infrastructure, renewable electricity generation activities and significant mineral resources (page 3)
6. The reasons for Powerco’s interest in these matters are as follows:
 - 6.1 Powerco seeks to ensure that the provisions of the Proposed Regional Plan continue to provide appropriate recognition and provision for Powerco’s assets; and do not unreasonably and/or unnecessarily restrict Powerco’s development and maintenance activities. Powerco also seeks to ensure that the Appellant’s appeal does not prevent the outcomes sought in Powerco’s own appeal from being achieved.
 - 6.2 Powerco opposes the insertion of the word ‘new’ in Policy 14 as sought by the Appellant as that would restrict the scope of the policy to reverse sensitivity effects generated by new activities. Intensification of existing uses can also

generate reverse sensitivity effects. Powerco seeks to ensure that regionally significant infrastructure continues to be protected from reverse sensitivity effects generated by both new development and the intensification of existing development.

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



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Dated this 9th day of October 2019

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