## Notice of Wellington Water Limited's wish to be party to proceedings

To the Registrar Environment Court Wellington

Wellington Water Limited (WWL) wishes to be a party to the following appeal
of decisions on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington
Region:

## South Wairarapa District Council v Wellington Regional Council, ENV-2019-WLG-000127

- 2. WWL is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 3. WWL agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.
- 4. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

### **New Objective O12A**

- 5. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part for the reasons set out in South Wairarapa District Council's (**SWDC**) appeal. In addition, this objective assists in giving effect to Objective 10 of the Wellington Regional Policy Statement and recognising the operational and locational requirements of regionally significant infrastructure.
- 6. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

### Definitions of "existing discharge" and "new discharge"

- 7. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part for the reasons set out in SWDC's appeal.
- 8. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

# Rule R36B Motorised and aerial discharge of agrichemicals – permitted activity

9. WWL opposes the relief sought in relation to this part, to the extent that it may impact on drinking water supplies and downstream monitoring results for stormwater discharge consents held by local authorities.

10. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

#### Rule R45 Potable water

- 11. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part. The relief seeks appropriate clarification of the meaning of the Rule, though the relief itself lacks clarity and should be further refined.
- 12. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

# Rules R48A Stormwater from new subdivision and Development and R52A Stormwater from new subdivision and development

- 13. WWL opposes the relief sought in relation to this part. WWL supports the retention of the Rules as they appropriately require that best practice is applied to new stormwater infrastructure from a new subdivision or development.
- 14. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

# Rule R51 Stormwater from a local authority network with a stormwater management strategy

- 15. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part, as it will better recognise and provide for regionally significant infrastructure.
- 16. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

## Rule R61 Wastewater discharges to coastal and fresh water

- 17. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part, for the reasons set out in WWL's submissions and WWL's appeal (ENV-2019-WLG-123).
- 18. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

# Rule R80 Discharge of treated wastewater from a wastewater network

19. WWL supports the relief sought in relation to this part. Although WWL is not able to discharge wastewater to land for various reasons, it supports the change to Rule R80 requested by SWDC as it will give effect to Policy 16 of the Regional Policy Statement, promoting discharges to land in a meaningful manner.

20. WWL is interested in the part of the proceedings related to:

# Rules R99(e) Earthworks and R100(c) Vegetation clearance on erosion prone land

- 21. WWL supports provision of an amendment to new Rules R99(e) and R100(c) to enable territorial authorities to undertake works on regionally significant infrastructure as a permitted activity. This will help to achieve Objective 12.
- 22. WWL made submissions on the definitions of "existing discharge" and "new discharge", and Rules R45, R51, R61 and R80; and has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has, because the proceedings relate to provisions that affect freshwater, stormwater and wastewater infrastructure and services, for which WWL is responsible.

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