## In the Environment Court of New Zealand Christchurch Registry

I Te Kooti Taiao O Aotearoa Ōtautahi Rohe

ENV-2018-CHC-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	Queenstown Park Limited Appellant
And	Queenstown Lakes District Council Respondent

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

Dated 10 July 2018

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- To: the Registrar Environment Court Christchurch
- 1 Transpower New Zealand Limited ('**Transpower**') wishes to be a party to an appeal by Queenstown Park Limited ('**Queenstown Park**') against the decisions of the Queenstown Lakes District Council ('**Council**') on Stage 1 of the Proposed Queenstown Lakes District Plan ('**Proposed Plan**') (Court reference ENV-2018-CHC-127).
- 2 Transpower:
  - a made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings; and
  - b as the State Owned Enterprise that plans, builds, maintains, and operates the National Grid, has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the general public has, and stands to be affected by the amendments sought in the appeal if those amendments are granted.
- 3 Transpower is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4 Transpower is interested in part of the proceedings, being those aspects of the appeal that are set out below at paragraph 5 of this notice.
- 5 Transpower is interested in the following particular issues:
  - a The amendment sought to Chapter 3 of the Proposed Plan, to delete Policy 3.3.30<sup>1</sup>;
  - b The amendment sought to Chapter 6 of the Proposed Plan, to delete Policy 6.3.12<sup>2</sup>;
  - c The amendment sought to Chapter 33 of the Proposed Plan, to delete Policy 33.2.2.1; and
  - d The amendments sought to Chapters 3 and 6, which seek to add new policies regarding land use in the Rural Zone.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Policy 3.3.30 is a new policy inserted into the decisions version of the Proposed Plan, as a result of submissions on what was Policy 3.2.5.1.1 of the notified version of the Proposed Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Policy 6.3.12 was renumbered from Policy 6.3.1.3 in the notified version of the Proposed Plan.

- 6 Transpower's positions on the relief sought by Queenstown Park, and the reasons for those positions, are set out below:
  - a Transpower conditionally supports the deletion of Policies 3.3.30, 6.3.12 and 33.2.2.1 (as sought by Queenstown Park), in the absence of changes necessary to address the concerns in Transpower's notice of appeal.<sup>3</sup>
    Transpower is concerned that those policies are inconsistent with and fail to give effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission ('NPSET').
  - b Transpower does not oppose the new policies proposed (but not specified)
    by Queenstown Park in Chapters 3 and 6, provided that such policies do not
    compromise the operation, maintenance, upgrading or development of the
    National Grid or otherwise fail to give effect to the NPSET.
- 7 Transpower agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Transpower is preparing further particulars of the relief it seeks, and will serve this on the parties.