

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
CHRISTCHURCH REGISTRY**

ENV-2018-CHC-093

IN THE MATTER

of an appeal under to the
Environment Court against
decisions on the proposed
Queenstown Lakes District Council
District Plan (stage 1)

BETWEEN

**QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT
CORPORATION**

Appellant

AND

**QUEENSTOWN LAKES
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Respondent

SECTION 274 NOTICE: AURORA ENERGY LIMITED

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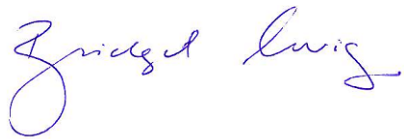
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To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

1. Aurora Energy Limited (“Aurora”) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - (a) *Queenstown Airport Corporation v Queenstown Lakes District Council* [ENV-2018-CHC-093]
2. Aurora made a submission and a further submission about the subject matter of the proceeding (original submission 635 and further submission 1121) and has an interest in the proceedings greater than the public generally. Aurora owns and operates the electricity distribution network within Queenstown Lakes District.
3. Aurora is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. Aurora is interested in the whole of the appeal which is the subject of this proceeding.
5. Aurora opposes the relief sought because:
 - (a) Aurora operates a significant electricity distribution network which services the region and the relief does not provide Aurora scope to maintain, operate and upgrade its network.
 - (b) Aurora has an interest protecting and managing its regionally significant infrastructure, lifeline utilities, essential or emergency services and wide range of business.
 - (c) Aurora has an interest in the activities of third parties on electricity lines and structures being managed to the extent that it gives effect to the New Zealand Electrical Code of Practice for Electrical Safe Distances.

6. Aurora supports the relief in so far as it gives effect to the Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement which recognises and protects Aurora's Electricity Sub-transmission Infrastructure and Significant Electricity Distribution Infrastructure.
7. Aurora agrees to participate in mediation or alternative dispute resolution.



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