SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE OF DAVID COMPTON-MOEN ON BEHALF OF QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE DESIGN GUIDES FOR BUSINESS MIXED USE AND RESIDENTIAL ZONES (STREAM 17)

- 1. I am an urban designer and registered landscape architect, and have provided evidence on the Design Guides for Business Mixed Use and Residential Zones.
- 2. I am the principal author, along with Mr Devlin and Ms Quinn of Vivian Espie, of the Design Guides. Minor changes were made to the Guides (attached to Mr Devlin's evidence) in March 2020 to address submissions. The changes were:
 - (a) Fixing of some typos.
 - (b) Clarifying that the Guides do not apply to permitted activities
 - (c) Clarifying that Guides are for reference as opposed to being assessed against for compliance.
 - (d) updating some photos to have more Queenstown examples.
 - (e) update cross-referencing with relevant policies.
 - (f) Deletion of text in the BMUZ guide to allow greater freedom for residential activities on the ground floor.
 - (g) Updating of the plant palette.
 - (h) Additional information was added regarding sloping sites.
- 3. No changes were made to address submissions seeking to limit the BMUZ Guide to certain activities. The Design Guide for BMUZ recognises that there will be some functional requirements for certain activities within the zone which may render it difficult to achieve a desired built outcome but I consider it important that the design process for any activity starts (through the application of the Design Guide) with creating a built form which has a strong built relationship to the street.
- 4. Overall, I consider the Design Guides are an appropriate and positive tool to assist with development in Queenstown Lakes District without being overly prescriptive or simply duplicating the standards and rules with are outlined in the PDP chapters.