In the Environment Court of New Zealand Christchurch Registry

I Te Kooti Taiao O Aotearoa Ōtautahi Rohe

ENV-2018-CHC-103

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 Mt Christina 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

Transpower New Zealand Limited ('**Transpower**') wishes to be a party to an appeal by Mt Christina Limited ('**Mt Christina**') 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-103).

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 parts 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 insert a new Policy 3.3.2xx that recognises and provides for the benefits of rural living development; and
 - b The amendments sought to Chapter 27 of the Proposed Plan, which would provide for subdivision in the rural living zone as a controlled activity processed on a non-notified basis.
- 6 Transpower conditionally supports the relief sought by Mt Christina for the reasons set out below:
 - a Transpower supports the new policy proposed by Mt Christina for Chapter 3 that provides for the benefits of rural living development, insofar that it does not compromise the operation, maintenance, upgrading or development of the National Grid or otherwise fail to give effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission ('NPSET').

- b Transpower does not oppose provision of subdivision as a controlled activity in rural living zones, and processed on a non-notified basis, provided that subdivision of land in any zone within the National Grid Corridor continues to be a restricted discretionary activity, and continues to be notified where Transpower has not provided prior written approval.
- 7 Transpower agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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