From: <u>DP Hearings</u>

To: Brett Giddens; ashton@brookfields.co.nz; Morgan Shepherd

Subject: FW: Expert Landscape Evidence - late submissions and further requests for extensions

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Importance: High

Good Morning

Attachments:

The panel has provided a response to your evidence deadline extension request.

Our website will be updated today to reflect these communications.

Further to my email earlier today, the Commission has considered the applications for late filing from Mr S Brown and Mr Giddens, in relation to which the evidence has been received one day late and, taking into account the reasons for lateness, has determined to accept this evidence as submitted.

We have had a further request from Bell Group Limited for an extension of time until Friday 22nd September 2023. No reasons for the extension were given. In our earlier Minute dated 25th August 2023 in response to a request for a general extension of time by Anderson Lloyd, we made it clear that expert landscape evidence was to be filed by 12 noon on 11th September in order to accommodate the various procedural steps leading to the commencement of the hearing. Accordingly, in the interests of fairness to all parties, we are not prepared to accept any expert landscape evidence from any party that is not filed by 5pm on Wednesday 13th September 2023. We note that evidence in the form of a bullet point summary or a Will Say statement is acceptable, provided it is lodged within the required time.

The request for an extension of time by Bell Group Limited until 22nd September 2023 is therefore <u>declined</u>, although we will accept summary or Will Say evidence if it is filed by 5pm on Wednesday 13th September.

Warm Regards

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