

**In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Christchurch Registry**

**I Te Kooti Taiao O Aotearoa
Ōtautahi Rohe**

ENV-2018-CHC-146

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 **Real Journeys (trading as Canyon Food & Brew Company Limited)**
Appellant

And **Queenstown Lakes District Council**
Respondent

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

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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 Real Journeys Limited (trading as Canyon Food & Brew Company Limited) (**'Canyon Food'**) 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-146).

2 Transpower:

a made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.

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 amendments sought to Chapter 3 of the Proposed Plan, specifically those sought to Strategic Objective 3.2.5.2, and Policies 3.3.25¹ and 3.3.32²;

b The amendments sought to Chapter 6 of the Proposed Plan, specifically to delete Policies 6.3.19³ and 6.3.26⁴; and

c The amendments sought to Chapter 21 of the Proposed Plan to amend Policy 21.2.4.2.

6 Transpower supports or opposes the relief sought by Canyon Food for the reasons set out below:

Transpower conditionally supports the amendments sought in relation to Strategic Objective 3.2.5.2 and Policies 3.3.32, 6.3.19, and 6.3.26, insofar as they go some way towards better managing the landscape and visual effects of activities (but also conditionally opposes this relief, particularly in respect of Strategic Objective 3.2.5.2, insofar as it would not be sufficient to give

¹ Policy 3.3.25 is a new policy inserted into the decisions version of the Proposed Plan.

² Policy 3.3.32 is a new/renumbered policy on what were the 3.2.5 policies and Policy 6.3.5.1 of the notified version of the Proposed Plan.

³ Policy 6.3.1.4 in the notified version of the Proposed Plan.

⁴ Policy 6.3.5.2 in the notified version of the Proposed Plan.

effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission) ('NPSET').

- a Transpower seeks alternative or additional changes to these provisions to address the matters set out in its appeal and ensure the policies give effect to the NPSET.⁵
 - b Transpower opposes the deletion of the reference to 'regionally significant infrastructure' in Policy 3.3.25; regionally significant infrastructure is an appropriate example of the kind of activity that has a functional need to locate in the rural environment (Transpower also seeks further changes to give effect to the NPSET).
 - c Transpower conditionally supports the relief sought in relation to Policy 21.2.4.2 insofar as it agrees that existing activities in addition to farming require reverse sensitivity protection, however Transpower seeks additional changes in order to give effect to Policy 10 of the NPSET (with respect to the National Grid it is not sufficient to 'minimise' conflict; rather, reverse sensitivity effects are to be avoided where reasonably possible).
- 7 Transpower agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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⁵ As directed by the Environment Court Transpower will lodge further particulars of the relief it seeks (including drafting) by 27 July 2018.