

**In the Environment Court
at Christchurch**

ENV-2019-CHC-061

Under the Resource Management Act 1991

And

In the Matter of an appeal under Clause 14(1),
Schedule 1 of the Act

Between

AIRBNB AUSTRALIA PTY LIMITED

Appellant

And

**QUEENSTOWN LAKES DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Respondent

Notice of **Touch of Spice Limited's wish
to be party to proceedings**

Dated: 5 June 2019

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To: The Registrar
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1. Touch of Spice Limited (**Touch of Spice**) wishes to be a party to the following appeal against parts of the Respondent's decisions on the Proposed Queenstown Lakes District Plan – Stage 2 (**Proposed Plan**):
 - (a) *Airbnb Australia Pty Limited v Queenstown Lakes District Council* (ENV-2019-CHC-061) (**Appeal**).
2. Touch of Spice made a submission (#2600) about the subject matter of the Appeal.
3. Touch of Spice is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**Act**).
4. Touch of Spice is interested in part of the Appeal.
5. The part of the Appeal that Touch of Spice is interested in is the amendments sought to the Residential Visitor Accommodation (**RVA**) and Homestay provisions in various Chapters of the Proposed Plan.
6. Touch of Spice is interested in the amendments to the RVA and Homestay provisions to the extent that they may impact Touch of Spice's activities providing luxury RVA accommodation throughout the District.
7. Touch of Spice **conditionally supports** the relief sought in the Appeal for the reasons set out in its submission. Touch of Spice generally supports the Respondent's decisions on the Proposed Plan relating to Visitor Accommodation. Touch of Spice seeks to ensure that any changes to the Proposed Plan:
 - (a) do not create ambiguity or uncertainty as to the application of the RVA and Homestay provisions in different zones;
 - (b) ensure that the significant benefits of RVA, in particular, to the District's economy are recognised and provided for in the Proposed Plan;

- (c) best achieve the Respondent's functions under section 31 of the Act in terms of the integrated management of the effects of the use and development of land in the District; and
 - (d) are the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the Proposed Plan and, in turn, the Act's sustainable management purpose.
8. Touch of Spice agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the Appeal.

Dated this 5th day of June 2019



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