## BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT AUCKLAND I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA TĀMAKI MAKAURAU

ENV-2020-AKL-000149

**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991

**AND** 

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 to the

Act

BETWEEN LOCHIEL FARMLANDS LIMITED

**Appellant** 

AND WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE OF BEEF+LAMB NEW ZEALAND LIMITED'S WISH TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS
29 September 2020

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TO: The Registrar Environment Court

Auckland

1. Beef+Lamb New Zealand Ltd (B+LNZ) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:

Lochiel Farmlands Limited v Waikato Regional Council ENV-2020-AKL-000149

- 2. B+LNZ made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3. B+LNZ is not a trade competitor for the purposes of s 308C or 308A Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4. B+LNZ is interested in all of the proceedings.
- 5. B+LNZ is interested in the following particular issues:
  - (a) Any relief sought that seeks to or will amend PC1 as it applies to low intensity farming.
  - (b) Any relief sought that is inconsistent with its appeal *Beef+Lamb New Zealand v Waikato Regional Council* ENV-2020-AKL-99.
- 6. B+LNZ supports the relief sought in part because:
  - (a) The matters raised by the Appellant are generally consistent with B+LNZ's appeal.
  - (b) B+LNZ is a farmer-owned, industry organisation that represents New Zealand's sheep and beef farmers, funded through a levy paid by all beef and sheep meat producers under the Commodity Levies Act 1990.
  - (c) Any relief granted should be the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the Act, give effect to Te Ture Whaimana o Te Awa o Waikato / Vision and Strategy for the Waikato River, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement, other relevant national policy statements (notably the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management) and

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Regional Policy Statement, and implement the objectives and policies of the relevant plans, including by supporting and providing for a sustainable and strong rural sector in the Waikato Region that operates while restoring and protecting the Awa.

- (d) B+LNZ considers it is appropriate for flexibility to be maintained for drystock farms in respect of stock setbacks and stocking rates so as to allow for rotational grazing.
- 7. B+LNZ opposes the relief sought in part because:
  - (a) B+LNZ opposes any relief sought that is inconsistent with B+LNZ's appeal.
  - (b) B+LNZ opposes the relief sought seeking to delete the requirement for Land Use Capability (LUC) class mapping because use and identification of LUC class improves management of diffuse discharges by enhancing understanding of land characteristics in a readily auditable way.
- 8. B+LNZ agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**CP Thomsen** 

Counsel for s 274 party

Beef+Lamb New Zealand Ltd

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This notice was filed by **CHRISTOPHER PAUL THOMSEN**, solicitor for the party of the firm Fletcher Vautier Moore. The address for service of the abovenamed party is at the offices of Fletcher Vautier Moore, Solicitors, 265A Queen Street, Richmond, Nelson.

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## Advice

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