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

ENV-2020-AKL-000083

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 OJI FIBRE SOLUTIONS (NZ) 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:

Oji Fibre Solutions (NZ) Limited v Waikato Regional Council ENV-2020-AKL-000083

- 2. B+LNZ made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 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 is inconsistent with its appeal *Beef+Lamb New Zealand v Waikato Regional Council* ENV-2020-AKL-99.
 - (b) Any relief sought that seeks to amend PC1 by replacing, altering or removing the objective and policy framework and supporting rules and schedules that provide for low intensity farming.
- 6. B+LNZ opposes the relief sought that amends PC1 in terms of the interests pleaded at paragraph 5 because:
 - (a) 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.
 - (b) PC1's approach to enabling low-intensity farming activities, including extensive drystock farms, and providing for flexibility (including in Farm Environment Plans) enables people and communities to provide for their wellbeing while at the same time recognising the Awa are degraded and ensuring that there is no further degradation and there is a pathway for improvement in the short and long term.

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- (c) B+LNZ seek the provisions it has appealed are amended in accordance with that appeal and to the extent the relief sought by the Appellant does not achieve that outcome it is opposed.
- (d) Any relief granted should be the most appropriate way to achieve the purpose of the Act, give effect to Te Ture Whaimana, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement, other relevant national policy statements (notably the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management) and 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. If the relief does not achieve those outcomes it is opposed.
- 7. B+LNZ is otherwise neutral on the relief sought.
- 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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