ENV-2020-AKL-000094

In the Environment Court I Mua I Te Kōti Taiao O Aotearoa Auckland Registry Tāmaki Makaurau Rohe

In the matter of the Resource Management Act 1991 And in the matter of an application under Section 274 of the Act

Between

Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated

Appellant

and

Waikato Regional Council

Respondent

Notice of Genesis Energy Limited's wish to be party to proceedings

21 September 2020



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- To: The Registrar Environment Court Auckland
- 1. Genesis Energy Limited (**Genesis**) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - (a) ENV-2020-AKL-000094 Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated v Waikato Regional Council.
- 2. Genesis made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings and has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has as the owner and operator of nationally significant electricity generation facilities within the Waikato River Catchment.
- Genesis is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).
- 4. Genesis is interested in part of the proceedings.
- 5. Genesis is interested in the following parts of the proceedings:

Diffuse discharges/ Ngā rukenga roha

- (a) Policy 3/ Te Kaupapa Here 3;
- (b) Policy 5/ Te Kaupapa Here 5;

Point source discharges/ Ngā rukenga I ngā pū tuwha

- (c) Policy 12/ Te Kaupapa Here 12;
- (d) Policy 13/Te Kaupapa Here 13;

Diffuse and point source discharges/ Ngā rukenga roha me ngā rukenga l ngā pū tuwha

(e) Policy 19/Te Kaupapa Here 19.

- 6. Genesis is interested in the following particular issues:
 - (a) Offset and compensation measures;
 - (b) Recognition of regionally significant infrastructure and regionally significant industry; and
 - (c) Point source discharges.
- Genesis opposes the relief sought in relation to Policies 3, 5, 12, 13, and 19 because –
 - (a) Whilst Genesis considers that "offsets" have a place within the suite of measures available to avoid, remedy or mitigate the adverse effects of contaminants, offset measures proposed should be at the discretion of the applicant and utilised to lessen any significant residual effects that remain after options to avoid, remedy and / or mitigate those effects have been explored.
- Genesis supports part of the relief sought for Policies 12 and 13 because -
 - (a) The importance of point source discharge consents for regionally significant infrastructure and regionally significant industry is recognised.
- 9. Genesis agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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Dated 21 September 2020

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Advice

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