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Our Ref: APP-126522 (quote this number when discussing application with HBRC staff)

For the attention of: Hamish Lowe

Dear Hamish,

Request for Further Information

This letter relates to resource consent application APP-126522, for the activities and discharges associated with the receipt, treatment, storage, management and discharge of wastewater at the Takapau Wastewater Treatment Plan.

HBRC received the s92 response associated with the resource consent application APP-126522 on 20/08/2021 with the Best Practical Option Report received on 30/08/2021. HBRC and Pattle Delamore Partners (PDP) have reviewed the information provided to us in the s92 request and this has fulfilled some of the issues raised in the initial review of the application. However, some of the responses have not fully addressed the questions asked in the s92 request or have not provided sufficient information to allow the potential environmental effects of the proposal to be fully assessed.

The s92 responses and HBRC's recommended clarification have been collated in Appendix 1 of this letter. Appendix 1 should be read alongside PDP's review memo¹ which is presented in Appendix 2.

It is noted that some recommended points for clarification require some additional information, whereas others represent a difference in the opinion of the technical experts. Where there is a difference of opinion, a meeting between the technical experts to discuss whether consensus can be achieved would be beneficial.

We are also happy to meet with you and discuss the points raised by the review of the s92 response and discuss the best way to proceed towards public notification as requested by the application for consent.

¹ Pattle Delamore Partners, 'Memorandum Re: Takapau WWTP Discharge Consent s92 Response Review', dated 7th September 2021.

In accordance with s92A of the Resource Management Act, if the information requested under s92(1) is not provided, HBRC must proceed to consider the application under s104 on a publicly notified basis. If Central Hawke's Bay District Council refuse to supply any more information under the s92 request, it would be beneficial, but not mandatory, to provide a justification as to why the requests have been refused. The consent will remain on s92 hold until we receive further information or receive confirmation that the applicant refuses to provide any further information.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosed –

Appendix 1 - Table of s92 correspondence to date and outstanding requirements

Appendix 2 - Pattle Delamore Partners, '*Memorandum Re: Takapau WWTP Discharge Consent s92 Response Review*', dated 7th September 2021