HAWKE'S BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL

<u>PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 9 (PPC9) – TŪTAEKURĪ, AHURIRI, NGARURORO AND KARAMŪ CATCHMENTS (TANK)</u>

MINUTE 3 OF THE INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

- 1. This is the third minute of the independent hearing panel. It provides for a short extension for expert evidence to be filed, and an equivalent extension for the provision of a response from staff of the Regional Council.
- 2. The panel has had requests from several major parties for an extension of the time allowed for the provision of expert evidence, which as set out in our first minute was today, Friday 7 May. Some of the requests were only received only Thursday 6 May, and sought extensions for up to three further working days.
- 3. We have been informed by Council staff that some expert evidence has already been filed. We are appreciative of those submitters who have met the timetable set out in our first minute.
- 4. We have agreed to extend the deadline for expert evidence to be filed to **5pm on Tuesday 11 May**. Any submitter who has already lodged expert evidence can withdraw it and re-submit amended evidence by Tuesday 11.
- 5. Council staff were originally required to make any response to expert evidence by Monday 17 April. As submitters now have two additional working days to lodge expert evidence, we have similarly extended the time by which the staff response must be lodged to **5pm on Wednesday 19 May.**
- 6. No further requests for additional time to lodge expert evidence or provide the Council staff response will be granted.

Antoine Coffin

Chair of Plan Change 9 Hearings Panel

Date: 7 May 2021

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