

Minute from the Independent Hearing Panel

Proposed Plan Change 1 - Waikato and Waipa River Catchments in relation to:

Granting a waiver under section 37(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act for the late service of a Further Submission from PAMU (Landcorp Farming Ltd) to Wairakei Pastoral Ltd.

1. The Hearing Panel grants a waiver pursuant to section 37(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act for the late service of a Further Submission from PAMU (Landcorp Farming Ltd) to Wairakei Pastoral Ltd's submission.
2. Wairakei Pastoral Ltd, by its legal counsel (dated 20 November 2018), raised the late service of the further submission to its submission. Wairakei Pastoral Ltd said it opposed any waiver (should one be applied for) for the reasons set out in its memorandum.
3. Notwithstanding Wairakei Pastoral Ltd concern, the Hearing Panel grants the waiver for the following reasons:
 - The service of the further submission was only four working days late;
 - Due to the length of time between the service of submissions and the commencement of the hearings, the consequence of the late service on Wairakei Pastoral Ltd is very minor.
 - Given the above, the interests of the community affected by the Plan Change are better served by enabling submitters views (in this case PAMU's) to be put before the Hearing Panel.



Greg Hill

Chair of the Hearing Panel

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