

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH**

**I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
KI ŌTAUTAHĪ**

ENV-2025-CHC-000136

IN THE MATTER	of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("the RMA")
AND	
IN THE MATTER	of an appeal under clause 14 of the First Schedule of the RMA against the decision of Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee on the Proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan
BETWEEN	NIKAU DEER FARM LIMITED
	Appellant
AND	TE TAI O POUTINI PLAN COMMITTEE, A DULY CONSTITUTED JOINT COMMITTEE OF BULLER, GREY, AND WESTLAND DISTRICT COUNCILS
	Respondent

**NOTICE BY MANAWA ENERGY LIMITED OF WISH TO BE PARTY TO
PROCEEDINGS**

2 February 2026

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TO: The Registrar of the Environment Court at Christchurch

INTRODUCTION

1. Manawa Energy Limited (“Manawa Energy”) wishes to be a party to the appeal by Nikau Deer Farm Limited (the “Appeal” and the “Appellant”) against decisions of Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee on the Proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan (“Proposed TTPP”).
2. Manawa Energy made a submission¹ on the Proposed TTPP, including on provisions relating to the subject matter of the Appeal.
3. Manawa Energy also has an interest in the Appeal that is greater than the interest the general public has. Manawa Energy owns approximately 510MW of hydroelectricity generation assets throughout New Zealand which consist of 38 hydro-electric power stations across 25 individual schemes. In the West Coast Region, Manawa Energy owns and operates the Arnold power station, and the Dillmans, Kaniere Forks/McKaysCreek, and Wahapo hydro-electric power schemes, which are all connected to the local distribution network. Given its activities in the West Coast Region, Manawa Energy has a direct interest in many of the provisions of the Proposed TTPP, including provisions raised in the Appeal.
4. Manawa Energy is not a trade competitor for the purpose of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.

INTEREST IN THE APPEAL

5. Manawa Energy is interested in those parts of the Appeal that relate to:
 - (a) NC-R1 (including as it relates to the definition of ‘wetland’ and ‘river’); and
 - (b) ECO-R1, ECO-R6, and ECO-R7.

POSITION ON RELIEF SOUGHT

6. The relief sought in the Appeal relating to the above is not entirely clear to Manawa Energy. Manawa Energy neither supports nor opposes the relief sought. To the extent the relief sought is relevant to renewable electricity generation (“REG”) activities,

¹ Submission #438 dated 28 October 2022.

Manawa Energy wishes to ensure that the Proposed TTPP appropriately provides for, and does not unduly constrain, REG activities.

MEDIATION

7. Manawa Energy agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution in respect of the proceedings.

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To: The Registrar at the Environment Court at Christchurch

And to: TTPP Committee

And to: The Appellant