

In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Christchurch Registry

ENV-2025-CHC-000110

I Mua I Te Koti Taiao o Aotearoa
Ōtautahi Rohe

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (the "**Act**")

In the matter of an appeal under clause 14(1) of the First Schedule to the Act

Between **Federated Farmers of New Zealand Incorporated**
Appellant

And **Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee**
Respondent

Notice of Bathurst Resources Limited and BT Mining Limited's wish to be party to proceedings

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To The Registrar
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- 1 Bathurst Resources Limited (**'Bathurst'**) and BT Mining Limited (**'BT'**) wish to be a party to an appeal by Federated Farmers of New Zealand Incorporated (**'the Appellant'**) against the decisions of the Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee (the **'Respondent'**) on the Proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan (**'TTPP'**) (Court reference: ENV-2025-CHC-000110)
- 2 Bathurst and BT:
 - a Are persons who have an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest of the general public. Bathurst and BT currently own multiple coal mines within the Buller District. Stockton Mine is currently operative. Two further mines, the Mt William North and Coalbrookdale mines, are proposed to be developed in the future by Bathurst and BT. The Appellant's relief includes amendments to provisions that relate to the operation and development of these mines; and
 - b Made submissions (number S491) and further submissions (number FS89) about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3 Bathurst and BT are not trade competitors for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Act.
- 4 Bathurst and BT are interested in part of the proceedings.
- 5 Bathurst and BT are interested in the following particular issues:
 - a The definition of Mineral Extraction;
 - b Amendments made to the TTPP provisions to ensure reference to mining and quarrying terminology is accurate, precise and consistent.¹
 - c Changes to provisions within the 'ECO Ecosystems and Indigenous Biodiversity' chapter: ECO-P3, ECO-R1, ECO-R3, ECO-R6, ECO-R7.

¹ Being: mining and quarrying / quarrying and mining: definition of "less hazard sensitive activity", rule EW-R6, policy SASM-P10, OSZ overview, GRUZ overview, GRUZ-R1, and RLZ overview • mining activities: rules OSZ-R10, GRUZ-R10, RLZ-R10, and SETZ-R15 • mineral extraction and quarrying: rule SASMR7 • quarries, including farm quarries and mineral extraction activities: rule SASM-R7 • aggregate extraction and mineral extraction (as per the NPS-IB): policies ECO-P3, ECO-P8, and rule ECO-R10, and for which the former term is undefined • farm quarries: definition of a "agricultural, pastoral and horticultural activity", rules SASMR7, SASM-R11, SASM-R15, SASM-R19, OSZR11, policy RURZ-P22, rules RLZ-R1, and SETZ-R5.

- d Changes to provisions within the 'LIGHT Lighting' chapter: LIGHT-O2, LIGHT-P1, LIGHT-R4.
 - e Any alternative wording, restructuring or other amendments as may be sought by the Appellant in order to address its reasons for appeal in respect of the provisions above.
- 6 Bathurst and BT support the Appellant's relief insofar as it is consistent with the relief sought in Bathurst and BT's appeal and ensures the TTPP:
- a Recognises the significance of the existing mining infrastructure and the mining and mineral resources on the West Coast and Buller Plateau to the local, regional, and national economies;
 - b Enables the existing and future coal mining of regionally and nationally significant coal deposits;
 - c Will promote the sustainable management of the natural and physical resources in the West Coast, and will be consistent with Part 2 and other provisions of the Act;
 - d Will meet the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations;
 - e Will enable the social, economic and cultural well-being of the people of the West Coast;
 - f Will give effect to the West Coast Regional Policy Statement; and
 - g Is the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the TTPP, in terms of section 32 of the Act.
- 7 Bathurst and BT agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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