

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH**

ENV-2020-CHC-127

**I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO
I ŌTAUTAHI ROHE**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991
(the Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of a notice of motion under section
149T(2) to decide proposed Plan
Change 7 to the Regional Plan: Water for
Otago

BETWEEN **Otago Regional Council**

Applicant

AND **Horticulture New Zealand**

Section 274 Party

**MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF HORTICULTURE NEW
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MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT:

1. This memorandum is filed on behalf of Horticulture New Zealand (**HortNZ**) in response to Judge Borthwick's directions on 15 March 2021 and in the minute dated 16 March 2021.
2. HortNZ filed the planning evidence in chief of Mr Vance Hodgson on 5 February 2021. HortNZ has given consideration to the supplementary evidence filed by Otago Regional Council (**Council**) on 14 March 2021. HortNZ does not wish to file its own supplementary planning evidence as it considers the issues raised will be addressed and fully considered during the planning conferencing scheduled for 7 and 8 April 2021.
3. Mr Hodgson will be present at the planning conferencing and will also be available for questions during HortNZ's presentation, currently scheduled for 15 and 16 April 2021.
4. HortNZ does not wish to cross examine Council's witnesses in relation to the supplementary evidence filed.

DATE: 16 March 2021



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