

IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT WELLINGTON

I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
KI TE WHANGANUI-A-TARA

IN THE MATTER of a direct referral of applications for resource consents and notices of requirement under sections 87G and 198E of the Resource Management Act 1991 for the Ōtaki to North of Levin Project

BY WAKA KOTAHI NEW ZEALAND  
TRANSPORT AGENCY  
(ENV-2023-WLG-000005)  
Applicant

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MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

(23 MAY 2023)

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[1] The Court notes the Memorandum of Counsel for the Applicants dated 19 May 2023.

[2] In accordance with the request contained within the Memorandum, the Court appoints Mr David Forrest as a Special Advisor to unrepresented section 274 parties in this hearing process.

[3] As set out in paragraph [10] of the Memorandum, Mr Forrest's role is to:

- (a) Provide assistance to interested parties who do not already have professional assistance, on matters of process and procedure;

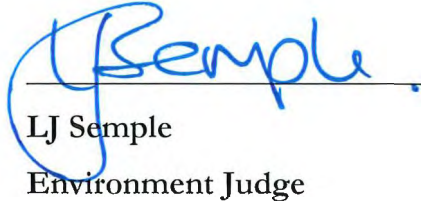


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(b) Where appropriate, assist interested parties with common interests to combine their submissions and evidence preparation; and

(c) Provide guidance on the differences between submissions and evidence.

[4] It is not the function of Mr Forrest to comment or advise on the merits of the application or any party's submission on it nor is he able to make directions which are binding on the Court or parties in any way.

  
LJ Semple  
Environment Judge

