

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT AUCKLAND**

ENV-2016-AKL-000202

IN THE MATTER of the Local Government (Auckland Transitional Provisions) Act 2010 ("**LGATPA**") and the Resource Management Act 1991 ("**RMA**")

A N D

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under section 156 of the **LGATPA** against a decision of the Auckland Council on a recommendation of the Auckland Unitary Plan Independent Hearings Panel ("**Hearings Panel**") on the proposed Auckland Combined Plan ("**Unitary Plan**")

BETWEEN **SFH Consultants Limited**

Appellant

A N D **Auckland Council**

Respondent

**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER
SECTION 274 OF RMA**

THE NATIONAL TRADING COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

Re: Topic 013 – Urban Growth

Dated this *3rd* day of *October* 2016

**ELLIS GOULD
LAWYERS
AUCKLAND**

REF: Douglas Allan

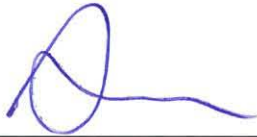
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**Notice of wish to be party to proceedings under section 274 RMA by the National
Trading Company of New Zealand Limited**

1. The National Trading Company of New Zealand Limited (“**NTC**”) wishes to be a party to Notice of Appeal ENV-2016-AKL-000202 dated 15 September 2016 by SFH Consultants Limited to the Environment Court (“**the Appeal**”) against the decision of the Auckland Council on the Auckland Combined (Unitary) Plan (“**the Unitary Plan**”) concerning Topic 013 – Urban Growth.
2. NTC has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than that of the general public in that:
 - (a) It owns and manages land throughout the Auckland Region subject to a range of centre and other zones that is variously occupied by existing supermarket developments or is intended to be developed or redeveloped to accommodate additional or enlarged supermarkets in accordance with the underlying zonings.
 - (b) The changes sought in the Appeal will significantly alter the policy framework applying to the Business zones in the Unitary Plan and as a consequence could have strategically important implications for NTC’s ability to develop or redevelop landholdings to accommodate supermarkets and wider developments.
3. NTC made submissions about the subject matter of the proceedings and was involved in extensive mediations and hearings relating to the provisions affected by the Appeal.
4. NTC is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
5. NTC is interested in and opposes all aspects of the Appeal relief. NTC seeks retention of the Council’s decision regarding the provisions subject to the Appeal.
6. The Council’s decision is appropriate in terms of section 32 of the RMA and is consistent with the purpose, principles and provisions of the RMA. Amending the provisions as sought in the Appeal is unnecessary and will compromise the sustainable management of resources.

7. NTC agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**Signed for and on behalf of The National
Trading Company of New Zealand Limited
by its solicitors and duly authorised agents Ellis Gould:**



D A Allan

Date: this *3rd* day of *October* 2016

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