

**Before the Proposed Porirua District Plan Hearings Panel  
In Porirua**

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Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)

In the matter of the Proposed Porirua District Plan – Hearing  
Stream 1: Over-arching matters, plan-wide  
structural issues, definitions applying across more  
than one hearing stream.

Between **Porirua City Council**  
Local authority

And **Transpower New Zealand Limited**  
Submitter 60 and Further Submitter FS04

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**Addendum to Statement of evidence of Pauline Mary Whitney  
for Transpower New Zealand Limited**

**- Inclusion of omitted relevant RPS provisions**

Dated 27 September 2021

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At the hearing on 27 September 2021 I outlined the Regional Policy Statement objectives and policies referenced in paragraph 8.15 of my evidence were omitted from my Hearing Stream 1 evidence. Attached are the relevant provisions.

### **Objective 9**

*The region's energy needs are met in ways that:*

- (a) improve energy efficiency and conservation;*
- (b) diversify the type and scale of renewable energy development;*
- (c) maximise the use of renewable energy resources;*
- (d) reduce dependency on fossil fuels; and*
- (e) reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transportation.*

### **Objective 10**

*The social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits of regionally significant infrastructure are recognised and protected.*

### **Policy 7: Recognising the benefits from renewable energy and regionally significant infrastructure – regional and district plans**

*District and regional plans shall include policies and/or methods that recognise:*

- (a) the social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits of regionally significant infrastructure including:*
  - (i) people and goods can travel to, from and around the region efficiently and safely;*
  - (ii) public health and safety is maintained through the provision of essential services:  
- supply of potable water, the collection and transfer of sewage and stormwater, and the provision of emergency services;*
  - (iii) people have access to energy so as to meet their needs; and*
  - (iv) people have access to telecommunication services.*
- (b) the social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits of energy generated from renewable energy resources including:*
  - (i) security of supply and diversification of our energy sources;*
  - (ii) reducing dependency on imported energy resources; and*
  - (iii) reducing greenhouse gas emissions.*

### **Policy 8: Protecting regionally significant infrastructure – regional and district plans**

*District and regional plans shall include policies and rules that protect regionally significant infrastructure from incompatible new subdivision, use and development occurring under, over, or adjacent to the infrastructure.*

### **Policy 39: Recognising the benefits from renewable energy and regionally significant infrastructure – consideration**

*When considering an application for a resource consent, notice of requirement or a change, variation or review of a district or regional plan, particular regard shall be given to:*

- (a) the social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits of energy generated from renewable energy resources and/or regionally significant infrastructure; and*
- (b) protecting regionally significant infrastructure from incompatible subdivision, use and development occurring under, over, or adjacent to the infrastructure; and*
- (c) the need for renewable electricity generation facilities to locate where the renewable energy resources exist; and*
- (d) significant wind and marine renewable energy resources within the region.*