

6 December 2021

Hearing Administrator
Porirua City Council

By e-mail: dpreview@porirua.govt.nz

RE: HEARING STREAM 4 TO THE PROPOSED PORIRUA DISTRICT PLAN - HEARING STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF Z ENERGY (SUBMITTER NO. 92) TO THE TOPIC OF NOISE

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Hearing Statement has been prepared on behalf of Z Energy Limited (*Z Energy*) and represents its views. It is not expert evidence. Z Energy will not be attending the hearing but asks that this Hearing Statement in relation to the topic of Noise be tabled before the Panel.
- 1.2 Z Energy (submitter 92) made submissions and further submissions on the Proposed Porirua District Plan (*PDP*).
- 1.3 Z Energy generally supports or accepts the s42A recommendations of the Reporting Planner in relation to the matter of 'Noise' for the reasons set out below.

2. NOISE

- 2.1 Z Energy has eight submission points being heard in the noise topic as follows:
 - **Submission points 92.12 to 92.14 and 92.16 to 92.18** which support the definition of Noise Sensitive Activities (92.15), Noise Corridors Policy Noise-P4 (92.13) and Noise Corridors Rules Noise R5 (92.14) and Noise Corridor Standards S1 (92.16), S2 (92.17) and S3 (92.18). The Reporting Officer proposes to accept these submission points in part, subject to amendments made in response to other submissions;
 - **Submission point 92.15** which supports Noise Corridor Standard – NOISE-S5. The Reporting Officer proposes to accept this submission point; and
 - **Submission point 92.19** which supports Noise Corridor Standard S4. The Reporting Officer proposes to reject this submission point.
- 2.2 Z Energy supports the aforementioned provisions to the extent that they control noise sensitive activities. Z Energy's interests lie specifically with the Noise Corridor provisions continuing to relate only to noise sensitive activities. While a range of suggested changes are proposed to these plan provisions (refer Appendix A of the Reporting Officer's Report), none of those changes would broaden their scope to include any activities other than noise sensitive activities and places of worship locating adjacent to existing State Highways and the Rail Network. Accordingly, Z Energy does not oppose any of the changes to the notified provisions as now proposed by the Reporting Officer in the relevant Section 42A report.

3. CONCLUDING STATEMENT

- 3.1 Thank you for your time and acknowledgement of the issues raised in Z Energy's submissions as relevant to the topic of 'Noise'. Please do not hesitate to contact the writer on 021 2333 906 should you wish to clarify any matters addressed herein.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen Blair". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a distinct dot over the 'i'.

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