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Dear Vicki

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Plan Change 44: Update to Our Submission of May 2013

Further to our original submission of May 2013, we have had the ability to review the evidence and we are at a point where the only outstanding matter relating to this Plan Change is that of sewage treatment and disposal.

We concur with and support Rob Potts Brief of evidence, only we wish to add our support for the option whereby sewage is connected to Queenstown-Lakes District Council's Project Shotover.

The reason for supporting this option is that, in our view, a Local Authority has a legal mandate to provide community infrastructure of this nature. In having that mandate it has the infrastructure for operation and maintenance. Moreover it is our view that QLDC will continue to have that mandate over time thus ensuring long-term sustainability for sewage treatment and disposal for this development.

In noting this, from a public health perspective we can see advantages and disadvantages of the reticulation option chosen. Our preferred option for this would be the Modified Gravity system in that it lessens the need for management of wastewater at or close to resident's homes.

We trust this clarifies Public Health South's position on this development.

Yours sincerely

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