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To the Queenstown Lakes Proposed District Plan Hearings Panel

Via email

Transpower New Zealand Limited, Proposed Queenstown Lakes District Plan – Hearing Stream 6: Residential

Beca Ltd (Beca) is engaged by Transpower New Zealand Limited (Transpower) to provide expert planning advice and evidence, as required, in relation to Transpower's submission and further submissions made on the Queenstown Lakes District Plan. Having reviewed the S42A Hearings Reports as they relate to Transpower's submission, we can confirm that Transpower does not consider it necessary to prepare evidence, or appear at the Stream 6 Hearing.¹

Transpower acknowledges and accepts the recommendations made in relation to:

- Submission Point OS405.46: Objective 7.2.7
- Submission Point 805.48: Objective 8.2.7
- Submission Point OS805.49: Policy 8.2.7.2
- Submission Point OS805.51: Objective 9.2.6

Transpower's submission also seeks the inclusion of a clause at the front of the Chapters 7, 8 and 9 Rules sections to direct plan users to Chapter 30 Energy and Utilities chapter where land use or development is in close proximity to the National Grid. The Section 42A Hearings Reports do not directly address Transpower's submission in this regard, but the accompanying 'accept/reject' tables indicate that it is recommended that Transpower's relief be reject.

In this regard, Transpower considers that it is important that plan users are easily able to locate the rules that address activities in the vicinity of the National Grid and wishes to refer the Hearings Panel to Transpower's Memorandum of Counsel dated 16 September 2016 that addresses this issue by suggesting that the National Grid yard rules in Chapter 30 may be better located in the relevant Zone Chapter as an alternative approach to achieving the relief sought by Transpower.

Yours sincerely



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¹ Please note that letter this does not constitute the withdrawal of this part of Transpower's submission.