BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT CHRISTCHURCH REGISTRY

ENV-2018-CHC-127

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under to the

Environment Court against decisions on the proposed

Queenstown Lakes District Council

District Plan (stage 1)

BETWEEN QUEENSTOWN PARK LIMITED

Appellant

AND QUEENSTOWN LAKES

DISTRICT COUNCIL

Respondent

SECTION 274 NOTICE: AURORA ENERGY LIMITED

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To: The Registrar

Environment Court

Christchurch

- 1. Aurora Energy Limited ("Aurora") wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - (a) Queenstown Park Limited v Queenstown Lakes District Council [ENV-2018-CHC-127]
- Aurora made a submission and a further submission about the subject matter of the proceeding (original submission 635 and further submission 1121) and has an interest in the proceedings greater than the public generally. Aurora owns and operates the electricity distribution network within Queenstown Lakes District.
- Aurora is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4. Aurora is interested in the whole of the appeal which is the subject of this proceeding.
- 5. Aurora has an interest in the relief sought (but neither supports nor opposes it) because:
 - (a) Aurora owns and operates an Electricity Distribution Network within Queenstown Lakes District, parts of which are identified as regionally significant within the Proposed Regional Policy Statement. The network spans significant distances to provide electricity to remote communities and customers. Network development and upgrading will be required to support the development promoted by the Appellant.
 - (b) Aurora has an interest protecting and managing its infrastructure and enabling the development of it to support new development within the District.

- (c) Aurora seeks to ensure that the Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement which recognises and protects Aurora's Electricity Sub-transmission Infrastructure and Significant Electricity Distribution Infrastructure will be given effect to.
- (d) Aurora seek to ensure that development of electrical infrastructure can occur efficiently within the Queenstown Park Special Zone.
- (e) Aurora has an interest in the activities of third parties that may affect its electricity lines and structures in accordance with the New Zealand Electrical Code of Practice for Electrical Safe Distances.
- 6. Aurora agrees to participate in mediation or alternative dispute resolution.

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