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Stephanie Brown

1. My name is Stephanie Linda Rowatt Brown. I am employed as a Principal Environmental Consultant by Opus International Consultants Limited. I am responsible for the provision of consulting services in resource management and planning. My work includes the preparation and processing of resource consent applications, preparation of submissions on plans and resource consent applications, feasibility studies, and community consultation.
2. I have the following qualifications and relevant experience:
 - I hold the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Master of Science (Physical Geography) from the University of Otago.
 - I am a full member of the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand and a Certified Environmental Practitioner (CENVP).
 - I have sixteen years professional experience working in environmental management in New Zealand.
3. Prior to joining Opus in 2001 I was employed for eighteen months as a Consents and Compliance Officer for West Coast Regional Council. I was involved in processing a wide range of notified and non-notified resource consent applications ranging from river work activities, alluvial gold mining, forestry, water takes, coastal protection works, and discharges. From 1995 for four years, I worked for the National Institute for Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) in Christchurch as a Hydrology/Hydraulics Technician.
4. Relevant Experience has included:
 - preparation of submissions on the Proposed Natural Resources Regional Plan for NZTA and other clients
 - Over 11 years for the NZTA provision of planning advice and preparation of consent applications for the Canterbury/West Coast region (network maintenance activities)
 - the NZTA Canterbury global stormwater consent application that has recently been granted
 - consent applications for NZTA for the Christchurch Southern Motorway
 - I am currently working on the Northern Arterial and Western Belfast Bypass Roads of National Significance projects
 - Preparation of resource consent applications within the Canterbury region for the taking of water for community water supplies, river works and discharges
 - Processing of resource consent applications for river works, discharges and water takes (Otago, Hawkes Bay, Wellington and West Coast Regional Councils)
5. I assisted the NZTA with the preparation of their submission.