

The Hearing Commissioners approved the follow request from Counsel on Thursday 11 April 2013

**BEFORE THE HEARING COMMISSIONERS**

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Resource Management Act 1991  
(the Act)

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER**

of the proposed Canterbury Land and  
Water Regional Plan

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**MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL FOR HORTICULTURE NEW ZEALAND  
SEEKING AN EXTENSION OF TIME IN RELATION TO THE FILING OF  
REBUTTAL EVIDENCE**

**10 APRIL 2013**

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**MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONERS:**

1. This memorandum is filed on behalf of Horticulture New Zealand a submitter (submitter ID number 326) on the proposed Land and Water Regional Plan for the Canterbury region ("pLWRP").
2. Horticulture New Zealand respectfully requests an extension of time to file the rebuttal evidence of Lynette Wharfe in relation to Group 2 hearing matters.
3. The extension requested is to 19 April 2012, i.e. a 7 working day extension.
4. The reason for the extension is Ms Wharfe has had to attend to family matters due to her daughter having had an operation after the birth of her second child.
5. While Ms Wharfe has been able to attend to most immediate and pressing work commitments during this period (including preparing for and attending the Group 1 hearings on Friday this week) she has not been able to attend to the Group 2 evidence on time.
6. The Commissioners will also be aware that Philip Percy for Fish & Game has had an extension of his evidence in chief granted until 19 April so in addition to the extension for rebuttal on other evidence Ms Wharfe will also require an extension in relation to rebuttal of Mr Percy's evidence. Assuming Mr Percy is able to file his evidence by 19 April an extension to 26 April is sought.
7. It is respectfully submitted that no parties will be prejudiced by this modest extension.

**DATE:** 10 April 2013



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