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Attention: Sarah Drummond

by email

CENTRAL PLAINS WATER LIMITED: PRESENTATION TO L&WRP

- 1 As you are aware CPWL was scheduled to present at the proposed Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan (*L&WRP*) next Wednesday 8 May 2013.
- 2 We now write to advise that, having reviewed the evidence of other submitters and the matters contained in its original submission, CPWL no longer wishes to appear at the Group 2 hearing.
- 3 However, CPWL's emphasises that :
 - 3.1 there are still a number of matters in the proposed L&WRP which remain of interest to it – the most notable with specific implications for CPWL (on which it has submitted) being the definition of 'changed' (which has been addressed in detail by others), consent durations for regionally significant infrastructure, and also Policy 4.5 – in respect of which CPW is concerned to ensure that the final plan supports the take of water, potentially for storage, by CPW on the same minimum flows as set out in its current resource consents.
 - 3.2 at a wider level, it hopes that the Commissioners, in considering the final provisions of the proposed L&WRP, have particular regard to the development of the CPWL scheme which will form a significant part of the Canterbury landscape. This extends to the potential take of water for storage (at either small or large scale) as might be required to accommodate the full implementation of the scheme; and
 - 3.3 although of more limited relevance for the immediate hearing process, CPWL remains very interested in the wider L&WRP planning process and it will take an active part in the submission process and hearing of the eventual Selwyn-Waihora sub-regional chapter (within which the CPWL scheme is located).

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4 It would be appreciated if you could provide a copy of this letter to the Commissioners.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan Goodfellow', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Susan Goodfellow
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Central Plains Water Limited