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Attachments: [Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa - Submission Canterbury Regional Air Plan.pdf](#)

Attachment included in this email.

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Please find attached a submission to the Proposed Regional Air Plan on behalf of the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa.

Regards

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**SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED CANTERBURY REGIONAL AIR PLAN
PREPARED UNDER THE FIRST SCHEDULE TO THE RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

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Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa makes submissions on the Proposed Canterbury Regional Air Plan (PRAP) set out in the **attached** document.

Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa confirms its submission does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa would like to be heard in support of its submission

If other persons make a similar submission then Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa would consider presenting joint evidence at the time of the hearing.



Graeme Abbot
For and behalf of Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa

Dated this 1st day of May 2015

SUBMISSION

1 New Rule

1. Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa utilises natural thermal waters from a bore adjacent to the pool facilities. Thermal water has been used in this location since the 1850's. The Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa facility is a major contributor to the Hurunui economy and is one of the areas large employers.
2. A consequence of extracting the thermal water is the discharge of hydrocarbon gas (methane) to air. To ensure health and safety outcomes, rather than allow this gas to dissipate into the environment, it is contained and then discharged and flared on a site adjacent to the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa facility. The discharge to air is minor in nature and is part of the existing environment.
3. It is not clear from reading the Plan that this activity has been provided for. To ensure this important and necessary activity can continue a new rule is sought to be included. Given the minor nature of any adverse effects of this discharge it is appropriate to be provided for as a permitted activity.
4. The following **relief is sought:**
 - a) Insert a new Rule to read
New Rule:
The discharge of hydrocarbon, including combustion involving flaring, in association with the extraction and use of thermal water, is a permitted activity providing the following conditions are met:
 1. The discharge does not cause a noxious or dangerous effect; and
 2. No material is to be flared or incinerated other than that derived from a bore stream.
 - b) In addition to the above, the following relief is also sought:
 - i. Any additional or alternative relief that achieves the same or similar outcome;
 - ii. Consequential or ancillary changes to the above.