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Please select the appropriate option from the I DO NOT wish to be heard in support of my submission;

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Support Oppose

Supports in Part or Opposes in Part

State concisely whether you support or oppose the provision being submitted on, or wish to have amendments made.

My submission is that:

Please state your reasons for supporting/opposing/amendments sought

My reason(s) for supporting, opposing or requesting amendments to this specific provision are:

In general, we support Canterbury Regional Council's efforts to reduce emissions and help to clean our air. We welcome initiatives aimed at improving the health and wellbeing of Cantabrians. We wish to request an amendment to Rule 7.87.

We are in the Christchurch Clean Air Zone and have an earthquake damaged home. It is unrepaired and we have been without heating in our house since September 2010 when our fire was damaged. We cannot understate how challenging it has been to live in a freezing cold home. Our damaged fire is still in our house and is not able to be used.

As part of our approved repair strategy our intention was to replace our older fire with a modern, cleaner burning appliance. After undertaking research we purchased an ECAN approved Pyroclassic IV as its emissions were much lower than the other solid fuel burners on the market (17-20 mg/MJ, 0.3 g/kg, 65-74% efficiency). Due to challenges with the proposed repair strategy for our home our repairs have not yet commenced.

When it comes time to have this fire installed our existing fire will not have been operable within the previous twelve months as it is earthquake damaged. Because of this, Rule 7.87 (4.2) means that we will now be unable to install our Pyroclassic IV. This proposed change will disadvantage us financially and socially as we will not be able to afford an ultra-low emission burner. A heatpump is unlikely to sufficiently heat our home due to the age of it and lack of insulation in the walls (we are intending to insulate the ceiling and under the floor). We believe that there are likely to be other Canterbury residents in a similar situation due to the repairs to their homes not having commenced.

We do meet the remaining criteria in respect of this Rule: our property is less than 2 ha., our dwelling was constructed in the 1960's and our new fire was intended to replace an older, less efficient solid fuel fire.

We were not personally notified of these changes until after they came into effect this year. We were not aware that in 2014 public consultation had occurred as we were not notified.

Please give precise details for each provision. The more specific you can be the easier it will be for the Council to understand the outcome you are seeking.

I seek the following decisions from Environment Canterbury:

In line with our submission above, we respectfully request that this rule (7.87) be amended so as to not disadvantage those people within Canterbury who a) have unrepaired earthquake damaged homes and b) that home had "an open fire, older style or low emitting enclosed burner" that has been inoperable due to damage sustained during the Canterbury Earthquake Sequence.

We propose that if the "open fire, older style or low emitting enclosed burner" was lawfully operable in the 12 months prior to the commencement of the Canterbury Earthquake Sequence and was damaged during the earthquakes, that the installation of an approved low-emission burner be allowed.

Thank you.

Air Shed

Which Air Shed does this submission relate to or none

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