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Group ID: 492

Consent name: Oceania Dairy Limited

Consent number: CRC201187, CRC201191, CRC201192, CRC201188, CRC201190, CRC201194

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Is a trade competitor: No

Directly affected: No

Consent support/hearing details

- CRC201187: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
 - CRC201191: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
 - CRC201192: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
 - CRC201188: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
 - CRC201190: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
 - CRC201194: support | WANT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
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Bruce Murphy

Oceania Dairy Outfall Pipe

Introduction:

Murphy Farms is a family group of Dairy farms, adjacent to the Oceania Dairy Factory and have been on the site for 30 plus years. We as neighbours of the factory have a good relationship with Babbage Consultants and Oceania staff. We have been kept well informed of Oceania's plans that have an effect on our business

We see daily the challenges Oceania have in discharging their waste water to ground, the main challenge is having to apply waste water and effluent in non-conductive conditions all year round. This means that it has to be discharged even on frosty days and during rainfall periods. One of the biggest concerns we have is the application of effluent to cultivated paddocks without crops on and therefore the ability to soak up the nutrient load is minimised this has been happening every winter over the last three years and simply is not sustainable.

As a community we went through a sub-regional plan change 5 consultation with Ecan and all community members including iwi to formulate the expectation of future water use and quality outcomes. This was a robust process and as a community we have all made efforts to reduce water use and shift towards Good management practice (GMP) which is a set of agricultural industry standards on how we need to change land use to meet better water quality outcomes. Oceania's behaviour is at odds with this. We believe due to the lack of capability of Ecan to measure how and when there is discharge of wastewater and effluent. It is very disappointing to see us as farmers across the boundary having to adhere to a different set of land use conditions to as Oceania even though we are on the same soil type.

One of our major community complaints associated with the effluent discharge is the odour, and the process of the treatment of fats in the milk waste. Milkfat decomposing is a source of smell and in the proper processing of this there should be no odour coming from the irrigation process.

We believe that the effluent conditions that were consented when the factory was built are not fit for purpose and do have adverse effects on the soil.

We are in favour and support this proposed outfall because it will mitigate odour and soil damage. In a practical sense it must be easier for Ecan to appropriately monitor a piped ocean fall and Oceania to adhere and manage to its consent conditions by having an outfall. Respecting the thoughts of our local Rununga we believe this is a better outcome for all stakeholders including the Glenavy residents, and surrounding farmers







