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17 Feb 2020

*The Consents Hearings Officer
Environment Canterbury Regional Council
P O Box 345
Christchurch 8140*

Attn: Alison Cooper

Dear Sir / Madam,

Re: Resource Consent Application CRC194083 by Waste Management Ltd

Please refer to your letter date 20 Jan 2020 re the above subject matter. We received the letter on 3 Feb 2020 advising:

- The submission for the above application closed on 17 January but owing to failure with mail delivery you extended the time frame to 31 Jan 2020*

Kindly be advised:

- We never receive the first notification*
- We receive your letter dated 20 Jan 2020 after your extended time frame had expired !!*

I am sure you will agree that this is highly unsatisfactory.

In any case we wish submit herewith our opposition to the consent application. Our submission is appended herewith

Thanking you

Yours Faithfully,



*Yen (Ian) Hong
Director*

To: Alison Cooper, Consents Hearing Officer, Environment Canterbury
Regional Council.

Submission on Consent Application CRC194083

By: Ian (Yen) Hong, Director of Rakan Rakan Ltd which owns 24 Gallagher
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Submission:

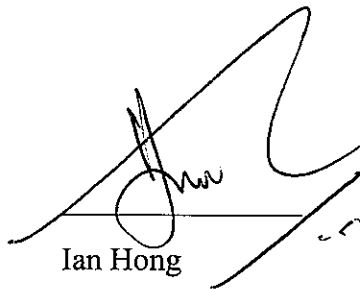
1. The directors of Rakan Rakan Ltd do not support the above application by Waste Management Ltd
2. The applicant deals with hazardous waste materials. It is therefore extremely highly important for health and safety that this plant should be situated as far away as possible from houses and populated areas, especially where there are young children.
3. We deem that by industry standard that the plant handling with hazardous materials and discharging into the air the plant should be set back at least 1,000 meters from the nearest residential properties.
4. Our property which is situated very close to the proposed plant is processing seeds and agriculture products. Being in the vicinity of a hazardous waste processing plant is least desirable and potentially harmful. This is not something that should be taken lightly.
5. It is widely accepted view that invariably there will always constant pervasive foul smell & corrosive and toxic dust emanating from a waste processing plant. This will cause highly unhealthy and unsatisfactory working conditions for the tenant's staff and management.
6. The bad odour, hazardous discharge into the air and water ways will affect badly our tenants, its business and staff. This can have liabilities and financial consequences for all parties. We could be held liable for financial losses operating from our premise. The corrosive dust can cause our building to deteriorate faster than otherwise.
7. If the tenant decides to vacate we will face difficulties finding another tenant and at best, will not be able maintain its existing rental value.
8. Given the strong winds and free draining nature of the soil on the site it can cause our premise to be unsuitable for any industries related to foods and / or plants
9. The notification process is badly flawed. We never receive the first notification. We received the second notification dated **20 Jan 2020** on **3 Feb 2020** after the extension till **31 Jan 2020** had **expired**. We find the process highly irregular & unusual given that it impacts the health & safety for everyone working and living nearby.
10. It is not adequate and/or satisfactory to give this application on limited notification. Given the significant impact of this application this should be a publicly notified application. We are very concerned with lack of transparency and public consultation.
11. Given the proximity to the territorial boundary of Selwyn District Council, why it is not notified sooner?
12. We understand the current consent for its Bromley location is not being renewed. Why ?
13. Why is the 1,000 meter exclusion zone precedence set by Bromley and Auckland is being overlooked in this application?

14. Even with new technologies we are convinced that local residents will face the similar issues as its present site.
15. Handling hazardous waste and discharging toxic harmful materials into the atmosphere and water ways in close proximity of areas occupied by clean industries and huge residential areas have to be stopped.
16. In the unlikely event of the application being granted, the consent should be subject to very stringent and strict conditions that the Council provides guarantees to enforce. Such consent should require intensive monitoring and reporting which should be made available to notified parties.

In view of the above real risks we ask that you decline the application.

We do wish to be heard in support of our submission.

Thanking you

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Hong', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large loop and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Director

Date: 17 Feb 2020