

IN THE MATTER OF the Resource Management Act 1991 (the 'Act')

AND

IN THE MATTER OF primary submissions on Proposed Plan Change 7 to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan ('PC7')

BY the Egg Producers Federation of New Zealand (Inc) ('EPFNZ') and the Poultry Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc) ('PIANZ')

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF MARY MCCONNELL

2 OCTOBER 2020

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 My full name is Mary Helen McConnell. I hold a Master Planning degree from the University of Auckland and I am a full member of the New Zealand Planning Institute. I am a Planner with Harrison Grierson Consultants Limited.
- 1.2 This supplementary statement of evidence is to be read in conjunction with my pre-circulated evidence dated 17 July on the provisions of Proposed Plan Change 5 ('PC7') to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan (the 'LWRP') and submissions lodged by the Egg Producers Federation New Zealand (EPFNZ) and the Poultry Industry Association of New Zealand (PIANZ).

2.0 OVERSEER REVIEW

- 2.1 In my evidence dated 17 July I referred to the Overseer Whole-Model Independent Peer Review which is currently being undertaken by the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI). Part of the purpose of this review was to develop guidance on how to use Overseer specifically for regional councils.
- 2.2 The review was considered necessary as Overseer is being used as a regulatory tool whilst not been calibrated for every form of primary production. This then has implications for how poultry activities are managed throughout the Resource Management framework and impacts the operation of the poultry industry.
- 2.3 MPI has received feedback from interest groups including EPFNZ and PIANZ. This has included comments and discussion on the use of Overseer and the implications for the industry.

- 2.4 In my evidence I noted that the guidance was on track to be completed in August 2020 and I hoped to be able to table it at this hearing. Unfortunately, this has been delayed and the report is still in draft form.
- 2.5 We believe this guidance may be useful and of interest to the Committee and may aid in their consideration of submission points.
- 2.6 If the review is released prior to the adjournment of the PC7 hearings and if the commissioners wish I will submit this to the Hearings Coordinator.

Dated: 2 October 2020

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mary McConnell', written in a cursive style.

Mary McConnell

Planner