In the Environment Court At Wellington

I te Kōti Taiao o Aotearoa Ki te Whanganui-a-tara

ENV-2024-WLG-

Between Hutt City Council

Appellant

And Greater Wellington Regional Council

Respondent

Notice of intention by Wellington City Council to be party to proceeding

9 December 2024



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To the Registrar
Environment Court
Wellington

- The Wellington City Council (**Council**) wishes to be a party to the Hutt City Council's (**HCC**) appeal against parts of proposed change 1 to the Wellington Regional Policy Statement (**PC1 RPS**).
- WCC is a territorial authority affected by PC1 RPS. WCC has various functions under the RMA, including the responsibility for establishing, implementing and reviewing its District Plan. The relief sought by HCC has a direct consequence on WCC's functions under the RMA and as a local authority. As such the Council is interested in all of the proceeding.
- The Council is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
- WCC has appealed Decisions on PC1 RPS. The reasons for WCC's appeal are that it has concerns about the timing and balancing of national direction, undue confusion between the relative responsibilities of the Council and the Greater Wellington Regional Council, and the practicability and workability of the RPS for territorial authorities.
- WCC supports the relief sought by HCC that is consistent with its own appeal against parts of PC1 RPS, and opposes any relief that is inconsistent with that appeal.
- The Council agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceeding.

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