

**Before the Environment Court  
at Christchurch**

**ENV-2024-CHC-24**

**I Mua I Te Kōti Taiao o Aoteroa  
Ōtautahi Rohe**

**UNDER** the Resource Management Act 1991

**IN THE MATTER** of appeals under clause 14(1) of the First  
Schedule of the Act in relation to the non-  
freshwater planning instrument parts of the  
proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement  
(PORPS)

**BETWEEN** **AURORA ENERGY LIMITED, NETWORK  
WAITAKI LIMITED AND POWERNET LIMITED**

**Appellants**

**AND** **OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**Respondent**

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**Notice of Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited's wish to be a party to  
proceedings pursuant to section 274 RMA**

**Dated 5 June 2024**

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**TO: THE REGISTRAR**

Environment Court

Christchurch

1. Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (**OceanaGold**) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:  
*Aurora Energy Limited, Network Waitaki Limited and PowerNet Limited v Otago Regional Council (ENV-2024-CHC-24).*
2. OceanaGold made a submission on the subject matter of the proceedings.
3. OceanaGold is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Act.
4. OceanaGold is interested in the parts of the proceeding which relate to the following particular issues:
  - a. LF-FW-P13 - Preserving natural character and instream value;
  - b. ECO-P2 – Identifying significant natural areas and taoka;
  - c. ECO-P3 – Protecting significant natural areas and taoka;
  - d. ECO P4 – Provision for new activities;
  - e. ECO-P5 – Existing activities in significant natural areas; and
  - f. ECO-P6 – Maintaining indigenous biodiversity.
5. OceanaGold supports the relief sought because:
  - a. It is important for LF-FW-P13 to manage the effects of infrastructure.
  - b. OceanaGold agrees that the ECO provisions must give effect to the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (**NPSIB**). If further

amendments are required to give effect to the NPSIB provisions for infrastructure, then these amendments should be made.

6. OceanaGold agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

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