IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND I MUA I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA

ENV-2024-CHC-022

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act

1991 ("Act")

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14

Schedule 1 of the Act concerning the **Proposed Otago Regional**

Policy Statement 2021

BETWEEN MERIDIAN ENERGY LIMITED

Appellant

AND OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

Memorandum advising agreement to abide in relation to the Group 7: Coast topic - pORPS (Non-Freshwater)

3 February 2025

May it please the Court

- 1. Meridian Energy Limited (**Meridian**) filed an appeal on the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 (Non-freshwater) (**pORPS**), and is a section 274 party in relation to other pORPS appeals.
- 2. Meridian is a section 274 party in relation to appeal on the 'Group 7: Coast' topic. After having reviewed its interest, and in line with the Commissioner's directions dated 29 October 2024, counsel advises the Court and parties that Meridian no longer plans to attend mediation on this topic, and will instead abide by the mediation agreement.

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