

In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Christchurch Registry

I Mua I Te Kōti Taiao O Aotearoa
Ōtautahi Rohe

ENV-2024-CHC-24

Under the Resource Management Act 1991

In the matter of An appeal under clause 14 of Schedule 1

Between **Aurora Energy Limited, Network Waitaki Limited and
PowerNet Limited**

Appellant

And **Otago Regional Council**

Respondent

**Notice of Port Otago Limited's wish to be party to proceedings pursuant to
section 274 RMA**

4 June 2024

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**To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch**

1 Port Otago Limited wishes to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the RMA to the following proceedings:

Aurora Energy Limited, Network Waitaki Limited and PowerNet Limited v Otago Regional Council (ENV-2024-CHC-24) being an appeal under clause 14 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**) against the decisions of the Otago Regional Council (**ORC**) on the non-freshwater planning instrument parts of the Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021 (**ORPS**).

2 Port Otago Limited has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has because:

- (a) Port Otago Limited owns and operates property and infrastructure in the Otago Region; and
- (b) Port Otago Limited has also filed an appeal against which overlap parts of the subject matter of this appeal.

3 Port Otago Limited made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.

4 Port Otago Limited is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.

5 Port Otago Limited is particularly interested in the appeal points relating to the following provisions of the ORPS:

- (a) Insert new SRMR – Significant resource management issues;
- (b) CE-O5 – Activities in the Coastal Environment, including the proposed addition of the term 'Operational Needs' within the Policy;
- (c) CE-P1 – Links with other chapters.

6 Port Otago Limited:

- (a) Supports the inclusion of the proposed new Significant Resource Management Issue in order to further promote the sustainable management of important physical resources such as ports;

- (b) Further supports alignment with the National Planning Standard requirements, including Standard 4 of the National Planning Standards 2019 which provides for appropriate recognition and provision for 'Operational Need'; and
 - (c) Otherwise notes the overlap of these issues with the issues raised in it's own appeal.
- 7 Port Otago Limited agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated this 4th day of June 2024.



Shelley Chadwick
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This document is filed by Shelley Chadwick, solicitor for the Section 274 party, of the firm Anderson Lloyd. The address for service of the Section 274 party is Level 12, Otago House, 477 Moray Place, Dunedin 9016.

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Advice

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