

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH**

**I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
KI ŌTAUTAHI**

ENV-2024-CHC-39

UNDER The Resource Management Act 1991
(the **Act**)

IN THE MATTER of an appeal pursuant to clause 14 of
Schedule 1 of the Act

BETWEEN **ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENCE
SOCIETY INCORPORATED**

Appellant

AND **OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Respondent

AND **OTAGO WATER RESOURCE USER
GROUP INCORPORATED**

Section 274 Party

**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO
SECTION 274 OF THE ACT**

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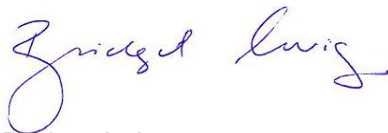
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1. Otago Water Resource User Group Incorporated (**OWRUG**) wish to be a party to the following proceeding: *Environmental Defence Society Incorporated v Otago Regional Council*, ENV-2024-CHC-39.
2. OWRUG made submissions and further submissions in relation to the non-freshwater part of the PORPS, which is the subject of this proceeding (OS00235 and FS00235).
3. OWRUG is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. OWRUG is interested in part of the proceedings.
5. OWRUG has a particular interest in the following issues:
 - (a) Definitions: Significant Natural Areas.
 - (b) Integrated Management: IM-04 Climate Change; IM-P10 climate change adaptation and mitigation; IM-P12 contravening limits.
 - (c) Energy, infrastructure and transport
6. OWRUG oppose the relief sought because:
 - (a) The changes sought to the definition of SNA are inconsistent with higher order direction. There is no justification for expanding the definition as sought
 - (b) Amendments to the IM provisions will undermine their intent and limit the options available for climate change adaption and mitigation.
 - (c) Changes sought to he EIT-INF provisions may affect the process for consenting existing community-scale irrigation and

stockwater infrastructure that is owned and operated by OWRUG members.

7. OWRUG agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Date: 6 June 2024



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