

13 September 2021

Otago Regional Council
70 Stafford Street
Dunedin
Attn: ORPS Hearing Committee

By e-mail: RPS@orc.govt.nz

RE: APPLICATION FOR WAIVER PURSUANT TO SECTION 37 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Z Energy Limited, BP Oil New Zealand Limited, and Mobil Oil New Zealand Limited (*the Fuel Companies*) lodged a submission on the Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement (*ORPS*) on 13 September 2021. The period for submissions closed on 3 September 2021.

The Fuel Companies appreciate the acknowledgement on the Council's website that the shift into Level 4 lockdown on 17 August has presented a range of challenges, including submitters to the ORPS, and seek a waiver under section 37 of the RMA of the time limit to file submissions. The waiver is sought on the grounds that:

- a) The submission will not cause any delay; and
- b) No party will be unduly prejudiced by granting the waiver.

Signed on behalf of Z Energy Limited, BP Oil New Zealand Limited, and Mobil Oil New Zealand Limited



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