

Otago Regional Council
DIRECTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS
MP4 Resource Consent Applications

- [1] By way of a Memorandum dated 13 October 2025, counsel for Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (**OGNZL**) sought that the Hearing continue to be adjourned to enable to further consideration of the recommendations in the council's Section 42A Reports and ongoing engagement with Kā Rūnaka.
- [2] Counsel undertook to provide a further Memorandum by 11 November 2025 updating their position.
- [3] In response to our Minute 4, Counsel advised that OGNZL agreed with the commissioners that it would be difficult to complete a Hearing by 2 December 2025. OGNZL consequently agreed to a further extension of time to complete the Hearing and undertook to advise on that in its pending 11 November 2025 Memorandum.
- [4] Accordingly:
 - a) the Hearing remains postponed until further notice; and
 - b) a further Minute setting out a revised Hearing commencement date and an associated revised timetable for the circulation of evidence and legal submissions will be issued in due course.



Rob van Voorthuysen
On behalf of the commissioners
15 October 2025

BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSIONER HEARINGS PANEL

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

AND

IN THE MATTER of the MP4 resource consent applications
(RM24.184, WDC 201.2024.2373 and DCC LUC-
2024-126)

MEMORANDUM ON BEHALF OF OCEANA GOLD NEW ZEALAND LIMITED

Dated 13 October 2025

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MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONERS:

1. This Reporting Memorandum is filed on behalf of the applicant, Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (**OGNZL**) as per its memorandum of 11 September and the Commissioner's 4th Minute.
2. As indicated in its memorandum of 11 September, OGNZL has been progressing its discussions with Runāka and OGNZL has also been advancing options with the Councils around a number of proposed activities with bearings on the application. Whilst these discussions have been progressing, matters have not been fully resolved. Accordingly OGNZL request a further extension to 11 November to report back to the Commissioners.
3. OGNZL agrees with the Commissioners that it would be difficult to complete a hearing by 2 December 2025. OGNZL agrees to a further extension of time to complete the hearing and can advise on this in its 11 November memorandum.
4. In terms of the factors for consideration under section 37A(1) of the Act, whilst OGNZL accepts that some submitters may have an interest in the hearing being held, in OGNZL's view it is important that adequate time is given for people to prepare fully for a hearing and that this outweighs the need to avoid delays.

Dated this 13th day of October 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Walker', is written over a light grey dotted rectangular background.

P Walker

Counsel for Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited