

**BEFORE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED ON
BEHALF OF OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL**

RM 20.005

IN THE MATTER

of an application for resource
consent

PISA HOLDINGS LIMITED

Applicant

BRIEF OF EVIDENCE OF STUART DOUGLAS HAWKER

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1. My full name is Stuart Douglas Hawker, I am a director and shareholder of Rabbit Enterprises Limited, trading as Torr Estate.
2. We hold a share of permit 95789. The water is conveyed to our property via the water reservoir on the Albany Heights land. From there it is conveyed to a tank inside our western boundary at the top of our three terraces and then to a larger tank on the lower slopes from which it is gravity fed around the water troughs within the 30ha of pasture we have.
3. Torr Estate is a 48ha property comprising 18ha planted in vines on three terraces and 30 ha of grazed interconnecting hill country. The vines are irrigated from a neighbouring bore which is not part of this application.
4. The 30ha of pasture is grazed by cattle and sheep. The water via this consent is used for stock drinking. The grazing animals are an important management tool for our operation reducing the fire risk and assisting to control of rabbits on the property.
5. Planting of vines at Torr Estate commenced in 2002 and it remains a long-term investment for us. We presently have a 15 year lease agreement with Gibbston Valley Wines. Further lease agreements will obviously depend on long term certainty of water supply from the bore.

Stuart Douglas Hawker

Rabbit Enterprises Limited

24 August 2020