

**Otago Regional Council
DIRECTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS**

- [1] By way of a Memorandum dated 23 June 2025 (attached), counsel for Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (**OGL**) sought an adjournment of the Hearing currently scheduled to commence on Tuesday 22 July 2025.
- [2] Counsel advised that OGL required further time to consider the recommendations in the Council's Section 42A Reports.
- [3] OGL sought an extension under section 37 of the RMA to double the section 103A time required for the Hearing to be completed. Counsel submitted that 2 December 2025 would be the new date for the Hearing to be completed by.
- [4] Counsel undertook to provide a further Memorandum by 11 September 2025 to update their position.
- [5] We grant OGL's requested adjournment and consider that doing so is in the best interests of both OGL and the community in achieving an adequate assessment of the effects of the Macraes Phase 4 Project.
- [6] Accordingly:
 - a) the Hearing scheduled to commence on Tuesday 22 July 2025 is postponed until further notice;
 - b) the timetable we set out in Minute 1 for the circulation of evidence and legal submissions no longer needs to be complied with;
 - c) 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; and
 - d) Pursuant to section 37(4) of the RMA we double the timeframe specified in 103A(2) for the completion of the Hearing.



Rob van Voorthuysen
On behalf of the commissioners
23 June 2025