IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14(1) of

the First Schedule of the Resource

Management Act 1991

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Proposed Southland Water

and Land Plan

BETWEEN ARATIATIA LIVESTOCK

LIMITED

Appellant

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

TAKE NOTICE that Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) gives notice pursuant to s274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 that it wishes to appear as a party to the above proceedings.

This Notice is made upon the following grounds:

- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) lodged a submission and Further submission to the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan to which this appeal relates and/or has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the public generally.
- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) has an interest in all of the appeal, in particular in relation to:

Rule 20 - Farming

- Federated Farmers lodged a Submission and Further Submission on this Rule;
- We agree with the appellant that the requirement for supplementary feed to be placed in portable feeders in an intensive winter grazing situation is unnecessary.
- There are more appropriate ways to prevent animals from trampling supplementary feed into the ground. In relation to silage, we agree that feeding lines of silage behind an electrified break-fence or similar can both reduce the competition for feed, prevent mucking up the ground (as happens with portable feed containers when all animals are encouraged into a set area), allows improved access across a wider area to feed and reduces soil damage.
- For the same reasons as set out in our appeal, we oppose the restriction on herd size proposed. We believe it will lead to perverse outcomes and won't achieve the objectives intended.
- We support the appellant's relief sought for Rule 20.

Manapouri Hydro-Electric Generation Scheme provisions

- Appeals in this area cover provisions Objective 10, Policy 26, and Rule 52A.
- Federated Farmers has both submitted and raised its own appeal on the provisions relating to the Manapouri Hydro-electric generation scheme, for reasons covered in our own appeal notice.
- We consider the outcome of the overall provisions in this area is contrary to the intent of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), as it does not promote the sustainable management of resources, or meet the requirements of Part 2 of the RMA.
- We support the appellant in relation to these appealed provisions.

Appendix E

Federated Farmers submitted on this Appendix.

- We agree with the appellant that the extent to which the Manapouri Scheme is having an adverse effect on the environment warrants consideration when the existing consents for the scheme come up for renewal.
- We also agree that any such reconsideration should take account of the water quality standards that the relevant water bodies would be expected to meet and that for which the Manapouri Scheme is currently compromising.
- We support the appellant in relation to this provision.
- 4. Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) agrees to attend mediation and/or dispute resolution in regard to these proceedings.

Dated the 22nd day of June 2018

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