

Speaking notes: Martin Aylward on behalf of Origin Energy.

Engagement with Trans-Tasman Resources Limited

1. My evidence addresses the engagement between Origin and TTR prior to the submission of that evidence.
2. As noted in Origin's opening legal representations, TTR engaged with Origin in the lead up to the hearing.
3. The parties have continued to engage over the last four weeks.
4. At a meeting yesterday we reached agreement on the Marine Consent conditions to be imposed in the event the DMC is minded to grant consent.
5. But position remains that would prefer not to have TTR operating in our area.
6. As noted by Mr Coates this morning, from a common sense point of view it doesn't make sense to have the two in the same place.
7. Continuing to work on a Risk Mitigation Agreement with TTR, that would be the contractual arrangement between the two to co-ordinate activities.
8. Until it is known whether that Agreement can be reached on acceptable terms to Origin, will remain opposed.
9. Because of the risks to our activities, both current and future.