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Tēnā koe Gen,

Further to the email below, Tamarind has asked Otaraua Hapū to elaborate on their reason for withdrawing from the hearing.

On behalf of Otaraua Hapū, I provide the following reasoning:

#### **Concerns**

1. Otaraua is concerned about the discharge of harmful substances into our waters (as stated in the submission reference no.: 34).

#### **Existing Interests**

2. Otaraua's existing interests which may be impacted upon by the proposed activity relate to commercial fishing quota within Fisheries Management Area 8 (FMA 8) which is owned by Te Atiawa Iwi under the Maori Fisheries Act 2004. The FMA 8 overlaps the proposed activity area and may be affected by the application.
3. Further to this, on behalf of Otaraua, Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust is currently seeking orders recognising Customary Marine Title and Protected Customary Rights under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2012. The application area being applied for extends from Herekawe Stream to Te Rau o Te Huia and from the mean high water spring in a seaward direction to 12 nautical miles. This application area does not overlap the proposed activity area but may be affected if an unplanned discharge occurs such as a release of harmful substances or an oil spill.
4. Thus the potential effects of the application on Otaraua's existing interests are our key concern.

#### **Proposed Mitigation Strategy**

5. Tamarind has proposed that "In the event that an unplanned event/discharge did occur, and if subsequently it is determined that a monitoring program is required, Tamarind will provide the Otaraua Hapū the summary report which would include an analysis of any effects that the discharge might have on the environment".

## Conclusion

6. Based on the mitigation strategy above, Otaraua is comfortable to withdraw from the upcoming hearing.

Otaraua appreciates the consultation that has taken place.

Ngā mihi

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