

EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE AND CONTINENTAL SHELF (ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS) ACT 2012 (the Act)

Beach Energy Resources NZ (Holdings) Limited application for marine discharge consent

M1 – Minute of the Decision-making Committee – 21 July 2020

Additional information in respect of NKTT Report

1. On 10 June 2020 we, the Decision Making Committee (DMC), requested advice from Ngā Kaihautū Tikanga Taiao (NKTT) pursuant to s56(1)(b) in respect of the Beach Energy application for marine discharge consent. The letter requesting this advice is available on the EPA website <https://www.epa.govt.nz/public-consultations/in-progress/beach-energy-marine-discharge-consent-application/>
2. On 7 July 2020 we received the NKTT report in response to the information request. This report is now available on the EPA website at the link above and has been provided to all parties to this application.
3. We have reviewed the NKTT report and turned our mind to the matters raised in it. We now request that the EPA provides legal advice in respect of how to consider the content of this report within the legal framework, for the purposes of our decision making process.
4. As advised in paragraph 2 of the of the executive summary of the NKTT report, we request, under section 54 of the EEZ Act, further information from the applicant as to who they have engaged with in respect of consulting with Māori on this application and evidence of the results of that consultation.
5. As foreshadowed in the request for advice from NKTT at question 3, we also request that NKTT provide an update to their report in respect of whether any additional conditions need to be considered by us now that submissions have been received on this matter. We would also like NKTT to provide a general update to their report if any of the submissions received require their advice to be expanded on.
6. The information requested under paragraphs 3-5 will be made available on the EPA website at the above link once it is received.

For the DMC:



David Hill

July 2020

Beach Energy Notified DMC Chair

20 July 2020