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Environmental Protection Authority
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Attention: Gen Hewett

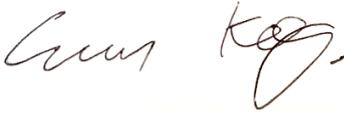
By email: gen.hewett@epa.govt.nz

Dear Gen

Waka Kotahi further response to written comments received in respect of LP15 Papakura to Drury South State Highway 1 Improvements – response to conditions requested in written comments

1. Further to our letter of 1 October 2021, this letter provides a response to the amendments requested in written comments to the conditions that have been proposed by Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency (“**Waka Kotahi**”) in respect of its application for Stage 1B1 of the State Highway 1 (SH1) Upgrades Project between Papakura and Drury (“**the Project**”).
2. In the table filed with this letter as **Appendix A**, Waka Kotahi has set out its response to each of the amendments requested to its proposed conditions for the Project, as sought by those who provided written comments on the application for the Project. These changes are highlighted in a full set of revised conditions which are to be considered by the panel and contained as **Appendix B**.
3. In considering the amendments requested, Waka Kotahi notes that some of these amendments have already been addressed by the conditions proposed (or supporting documentation provided for in the conditions), in its lodged application for the Project. Some of the requested amendments would also make the conditions overly lengthy, and less efficient for monitoring and implementation purposes. Across its various projects, Waka Kotahi has been making efforts to have condition sets that are streamlined, including ensuring conditions are only included where they are necessary to address effects of projects relevant under the Resource Management Act. This is to avoid unnecessary administration and cost and increase clarity and certainty for both Waka Kotahi and consent authorities (as well as interested parties). For these reasons, some of the conditions sought in the written comments are not considered appropriate, and the table provided with this letter provides further explanation where this is the case.
4. In respect of the amendments requested by Auckland Transport, Waka Kotahi has arranged to discuss these amendments further, directly with Auckland Transport specialists. Following this meeting, Waka Kotahi will prepare a response to the changes sought by Auckland Transport, including details of any further conditions agreed to by Waka Kotahi (and/or those agreed in conjunction with Auckland Transport), which we will endeavour to provide to the EPA by Friday 15 October.
5. Please let us know if you have any queries regarding this letter or the responses set out in the attached table.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Evan Keating'.

Evan Keating

Principal Planner, Environmental Planning

Appendix A: Waka Kotahi response to amendments requested by parties invited to comment on the Stage 1B1 Papakura to Drury Fast Track Application

Appendix B: Revised condition set