

## IN THE MATTER OF

the Resource Management Act section 128 to section 132 review of water permits within the Rakaia Selwyn Groundwater Allocation Zone

### **Minute and directions of the Hearing Commissioners relating to procedural matters**

#### **Introduction**

1. This minute is issued by Hearing Commissioners Ms Sharon McGarry (Chairperson) and Mr Tom Heller, appointed by the Canterbury Regional Council ("CRC") to hear and decide the review of resource consent conditions for water permits to take groundwater from within the Rakaia Selwyn Groundwater Allocation Zone ("GAZ"), pursuant to section 128 of the Resource Management Act ("Act").
2. We confirm we have viewed a full list of the parties with water permits to take groundwater (consent holders) under review in the Rakaia Selwyn GAZ, and consider that we do not have any conflicts of interest with any of these parties.
3. The hearing for the above shall commence at 9.30am on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2009 at the CRC offices, located at 58 Kilmore Street, Christchurch.

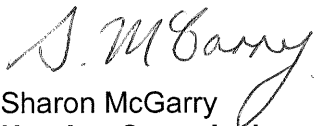
#### **Order of proceedings**

4. An order of proceedings has been set and a copy is enclosed with this minute. Any party who wishes to object to this order will need to do so in writing at least ten working days prior to the commencement of the hearing.
5. Any party, who did not indicate their intention to be heard at hearing, who now wishes to be heard, will need to be present at the commencement of the hearing at 9.30am on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2009 to request a time to be heard.
6. Any party who no longer wishes to be heard at the hearing, can advise CRC staff (either by phone or in writing) prior to the hearing, or in person at the commencement of the hearing at 9.30am on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2009.
7. All parties wishing to be heard at the hearing will be heard in the following general order:
  - a) Parties being represented in groups with common issues and/or witnesses;
  - b) Parties with multiple consents;
  - c) Parties with proposed minimum flow conditions in catchment groupings (to be advised by CRC staff); and
  - d) All other parties in consecutive consent number order.

8. The hearing will commence at 9.30am on Tuesday 2nd June 2009 and will continue for two weeks hearing parties in groups a), b) and d), as outlined above. The hearing will resume on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2009, to hear parties in group c) as outlined above. All reasonable efforts will be made by the Hearing Commissioners to accommodate any time restrictions any party may have.

#### **Section 42A Report**

9. At least five days prior to commencement of the hearing, the CRC will pre-circulate a hard copy of the "Section 42A Report", compiled by the CRC's reporting officer. This Report will consist of an "Overview Report", and an "Individual Summary Report" of the resource consent(s) under review. The "Overview Report" will be available on the CRC's web site ([www.ecan.govt.nz](http://www.ecan.govt.nz)) no later than 5pm Friday 15th May 2009.
10. With the agreement of the affected party (consent holder), an "Individual Summary Report" may be updated and presented at the commencement of the hearing without the need for pre-circulation. This does not apply to any alterations made to the "Overview Report", which would be required to be pre-circulated to all parties at least five working days prior to the commencement of the hearing.
11. These directions are made without prejudice to the powers of the Hearing Commissioners to, as appropriate, exercise any other powers provided for by sections 39 to 42 of the Act.



Sharon McGarry  
**Hearing Commissioner (Chairperson)**



Tom Heller  
**Hearing Commissioner**