## BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT AUCKLAND

## ENV-2017-AKL-000149

IN THE MATTER OF the Resource Management Act 1991 (the

Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER OF an appeal pursuant to clause 14 of the

First Schedule to the Act

BETWEEN MAORI TRUSTEE

Appellant

AND BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

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## NOTICE OF PERSON'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS



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TO: The Registrar
Environment Court
AUCKLAND

- NGATI UENUKUKOPAKO IWI TRUST (the Trust) wishes to be a party to ENV-2017-AKL-000149 Maori Trustee v Bay of Plenty Regional Council, an appeal against decisions on Proposed Plan Change 10 to the Bay of Plenty Regional Land and Water Plan (Plan Change).
- 2. The Trust made further submissions on the Plan Change.
- 3. The Trust has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has because:
  - (a) The Trust was formed by, and represents, the people of Ngati Uenukukopako Hapu which incorporates Ruamata and Pikirangi Marae.
  - (b) Ngati Uenukukopako has overlapping interests with other Hapu extending from the Waingaehe Stream around the lakefront to Te Tumu o te Miromiro Stream, up to the ridge of the Whakapoungakau range, along the ridge to Pukepoto Hill, down from Pukepoto along the Waingaehe Stream back to the lake front.
  - (c) Ngati Uenukukopako, as the father of Whakaue, has customary rights and interests around Rotorua-nui-a-Kahumatamomoe including kaitiaki responsibilities.
  - (d) Ngati Uenukukopako represents 2558 registered beneficiaries as recorded on the Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa beneficiaries list. However, Ngati Uenukukopako have a known database of over 5,000 owners of the Whakapoungakau Farm Trust, all of whom whakapapa to Uenukukopako.
- 4. The Trust is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the Act.
- 5. The Trust is interested in all of the proceedings.

- 6. The Trust neither supports or opposes the appeal, however given the general and non-specific nature of the appeal relief which seeks, amongst other things, to exempt or remove restrictions in relation to underutilised Maori freehold land, the Trust wishes to be a party to the appeal to enable it to fully understand the implications of the appeal in relation to its interests and to be involved in the development of any specific amendments, including to ensure that any changes are appropriate and consistent with the relief sought in its own appeal ENV-2017-AKL-000147 on the Plan Change.
- 7. The Trust agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Signature: Ngati Uenukukopako Iwi Trust by its authorised agent:

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Date: 17 October 2017

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