**Policy Sheet for Controlled Activity Dairy Shed Effluent Discharge Applications**

Please read these carefully and tick where you agree with the statements. These policies are available in full on the Bay of Plenty Regional Council website.

Assessment against the Operative Regional Water and Land Plan, 2008

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| **Relevant provision** | **Assessment** | **Agree?** |
| Policy 41 – To encourage the change from the discharge of contaminants to water to the land-based treatment and disposal of contaminants, where this is environmentally sustainable | My proposed discharge is to land rather than water, which is better for the environment and is a sustainable option for my property and the environment. | Yes/No |
| Policy 43 – Avoid, remedy, mitigate cumulative effects where discharges are having an adverse effect on water quality, life-supporting capacity of soil, or the coastal environment | My proposed discharge is undertaken in a way that avoids, remedies or mitigates cumulative adverse effects on the environment. This is because I have taken into account risks specific to my property in relation to adverse effects on water quality, life-supporting capacity of soil and the coastal environment when deciding how, when and where I will discharge my farm dairy effluent to land. | Yes/No |
| Policy 44 – Appropriate management of discharges to land | I will use good management practices and mitigation measures to ensure the discharge of effluent is appropriately managed. | Yes/No |
| Policy 48 – Discharges and best practicable option to avoid or mitigate adverse effects on the environment | In deciding how, when and where I will discharge my farm dairy effluent to land, I have considered current good management practices and property-specific mitigation measures that will help to avoid or mitigate adverse effects on the environment. | Yes/No |

Assessment against the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPS FM), 2014

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| **Relevant provision** | **Assessment** | **Agree?** |
| Objective A1 - Safeguard the life-supporting capacity, ecosystem processes and indigenous species including their associated ecosystems, of fresh water; and the health of people and communities | In deciding how, when and where I will discharge my farm dairy effluent to land, I have considered current good management practices and property-specific mitigation measures that will help to avoid or mitigate adverse effects on the environment. By using good management practices and mitigation measures, I will ensure the discharge of effluent is appropriately managed, relative to the sensitivity of the receiving environment and property-specific nutrient loss risks. | Yes/No |
| Objective A2 - The quality of fresh water within a freshwater management unit is maintained or improved | I will adopt good management practices and/or mitigation measures to help maintain or improve water quality. | Yes/No |

Assessment against Part 2 of the RMA

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| **Relevant provision** | **Assessment** | **Agree?** |
| **Part 2 -** The purpose of this Act is to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources | My consent application achieves the purpose of the RMA through sustainable management of natural and physical resources. | Yes/No |