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Wellington Regional Council

Date 27.3.03

From

Kevin Fearon

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Attention

Councillor Ian Buchanan

Dear Ian

Wai Corridor Plan F/N Re:



Thank you for your letter dated March 18th last.

I agree totally with your Draft Plan, and wish you well in the implementation of the same or parts thereof.

Should you require any further input or information from me please contact me at your convenience

Kind Regards

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4th April 2003

Mr Ian Buchanan Greater Wellington Regional Council P O Box 41 MASTERTON

Dear lan,

RE: WAIRARAPA CORRIDOR PLAN

I support the intent and direction of your draft Wairarapa Corridor Plan. There are real benefits to be expected if the objectives and projects outlined are implemented.

I see freight services based on an efficient and affordable rail services as a critical component in this.

Kind regards,
P F OLSEN & COMPANY LTD

Phill Wishnowsky Branch Manager



Cr Ian Buchanan **Great Wellington Regional Council** P O Box 11646 WELLINGTON

4 April 2003

Dear Cr Buchanan

WAIRARAPA CORRIDOR PLAN

Many thanks for your recent letter to Ken Harris seeking support for the above Plan, which is to be included in the Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy.

As you may be aware, some time ago we forwarded a submission (to Transit New Zealand) on the development of State Highway 2. This submission outlined the concerns that we had regarding the standard and security of the existing highway and rail networks, and generally supported the plans to improve the access between Wellington and the Wairarapa.

CentrePort's concerns regarding the highway and rail system, stem from the need for both heavy vehicles and rail to be able to continue to travel efficiently between, in this case, Wellington and the Wairarapa (and surrounding areas), and to a lesser extent, in the other direction. Because of our proximity to the Wairarapa area, we are able to offer significant distribution cost savings to major exporters and importers. Therefore, the availability of efficient transport infrastructure is not just of benefit to the Port as a commercial business, but also to the national economic interest. There is also the matter of ensuring we have the best access possible, in the event that one of the main access routes into Wellington is rendered impassable through a significant natural event, such as an earthquake.

While we have no specific comment to make on any one particular aspect of the Draft Corridor Plan, we are more than happy to support the intentions of the Plan and lend whatever strength we can to your development strategy. If there is any further assistance we can provide, we will willingly do so, based on current objectives.

We look forward to an update on your progress later in the year.

Regards

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