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For the Attention of the Greater Wellington Regional Council Proposed Change 1 to the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region – Freshwater Hearings Panel and P1S1 Panel

Hearing Stream Seven - Statement by Transpower New Zealand Ltd (submitter reference S10 and FS23)

Transpower New Zealand Limited ("**Transpower**") writes in relation to Hearing Stream 7 (Small Topics, Wrapup and Variation 1), commencing on 15 April 2024, on the Greater Wellington Regional Council Proposed Change 1 ("**PC1**") to the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region.

Transpower lodged two submission points specific to Hearing Stream 7 as follows:

- Submission point S10.007 sought to amend the definition of "National Grid" to reflect that provided in the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission 2008. Transpower supports the S42A Report recommendation to accept the relief sought and amend the definition. No other submissions were made on the definition.
- Submission point S10.008 sought to retain the amended definition of "Regionally Significant Infrastructure" as notified. Transpower supports the S42A Report recommendation to accept in part the relief sought, noting the recommended amendments to the definition are not relevant to the National Grid which is specifically addressed in bullet point 4 of the definition.

Transpower respectfully requests that this letter be tabled for the Panel's consideration, to confirm its position in relation to its submission points and the Section 42A Report recommendations.

Should the Panel require clarification on any matter, please contact Rebecca Eng at Transpower (09 590 7072), or on the following email: environment.policy@transpower.co.nz.

Yours faithfully

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