

**In the Environment Court  
At Wellington**

**I te Kōti Taiao o Aotearoa  
Ki te Whanganui-a-tara**

ENV-2024-WLG-

**Between**

**Wellington Water Limited**

Appellant

**And**

**Greater Wellington Regional Council**

Respondent

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**Notice of intention by Wellington City  
Council to be party to proceeding**

9 December 2024

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# Notice of intention by Wellington City Council to be party to proceeding

To the Registrar  
Environment Court  
Wellington

- 1 The Wellington City Council (**WCC**) wishes to be a party to Wellington Water Limited's appeal against parts of proposed change 1 to the Wellington Regional Policy Statement (**PC1 RPS**).
- 2 WCC is a territorial authority affected by PC1 RPS. WCC has various functions under the RMA, including the responsibility for establishing, implementing and reviewing its District Plan. The relief sought by Wellington Water Limited has a direct consequence on WCC's functions under the RMA and as a local authority. As such WCC is interested in all of the proceeding.
- 3 WCC is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
- 4 WCC has appealed decisions on PC1 RPS. The reasons for WCC's appeal are that it has concerns about the timing and balancing of national direction, undue confusion between the relative responsibilities of the Council and the Greater Wellington Regional Council, and the practicability and workability of the RPS for territorial authorities.
- 5 WCC supports the relief sought by Wellington Water Limited that is consistent with its own appeal against parts of PC1 RPS and opposes any relief that is inconsistent with that appeal.
- 6 WCC supports relief that is consistent with, and appropriately balances the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPS-IB), the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management, and the National Policy Statement on Urban Development, and opposes relief that is inconsistent with, or does not appropriately balance, those documents.

7 The Council agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceeding.

Date: 9 December 2024



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