

**In the Environment Court  
at Auckland Registry**

**ENV-2022-AKL-63**

**I Mua I Te Kōti Taiao o Aotearoa  
Tāmaki Makaurau Rohe**

**In the Matter**

of the Resource Management Act  
1991 (**Act**)

**And**

**In the Matter**

of an appeal under Clause 14(1),  
Schedule 1 of the Act

**Between**

**MERIDIAN ENERGY LIMITED**

Appellant

**And**

**WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Respondent

**Notice of wish to be party to proceedings  
by Bathurst Resources Limited and  
BT Mining Limited**

Dated: 21 March 2022

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**To:** The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Auckland

1. Bathurst Resources Limited and BT Mining Limited (**Bathurst**) wish to be party to the following appeal against parts of the decisions of the Respondent (**Decisions**) on the Proposed Waikato District Plan (**Proposed Plan**):
  - (a) *Meridian Energy Limited v Waikato District Council* (ENV-2022-AKL-63) (**Appeal**).
2. Bathurst made a submission about the subject matter of the Appeal.
3. Bathurst is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**).
4. Bathurst is interested in the part of the Appeal relating to ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
5. While in no way limiting the generality of Bathurst's interest in any part of the appeal, Bathurst is interested in the following particular issues:
  - (a) the management of indigenous biodiversity through the effects management hierarchy; and
  - (b) biodiversity offsetting.
6. Bathurst **supports** the relief sought to the extent that it seeks to amend the provisions relating to ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity to better reflect Part 2 of the RMA and provide for biodiversity offsetting and environmental compensation.
7. Bathurst agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the Appeal.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2022



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