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Proposed Waikato District Plan (Stage 1) c/- Fletcher Bell Hearing Coordinator / District Plan Administrator Resource Management Policy Team

By Email only: districtplan@waidc.govt.nz

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: HEARING 28 - GENERAL OTHER MATTERS: HEARING STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE OIL **COMPANIES (FURTHER SUBMITTER 1089)** 

## 1. **INTRODUCTION**

- I refer to the abovementioned matters set down for hearing commencing 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021. 1.1 The Oil Companies (representative of Z Energy Limited, BP Oil New Zealand Limited and Mobil Oil NZ Ltd), identified as further submitter 1089, will not be attending the hearing as the recommendations in the Section 42A Report are agreed with. There is, however, a minor correction, the Oil Companies would like to draw to the attention of the Hearings Panel.
- This Hearing Statement has been prepared on behalf of the Oil Companies and represents 1.2 their views in relation to Hearing Topic 28 of the Proposed Waikato District Plan (PWDP).
- 1.3 It would be appreciated if this Hearing Statement could be submitted to the Hearings Panel.

## 2. THE OIL COMPANIES' SUBMISSIONS

- 2.1 The Oil Companies (FS1089.1) opposed submission 738.8 of Shand Properties Ltd, which seeks to amend the definition of 'contaminated land' to refer to standards and / or mapped locations.
- 2.2 The Section 42A Report notes that the definition of 'contaminated land' was addressed in Hearing 5: Definitions and that the S42A recommendation at that time, to amend the definition to reflect section 2 of the RMA, is supported for the purposes of the current Hearing 28.



- 2.3 The Oil Companies support that recommendation. However, it is noted that the Section 42A Report for Hearing 28 incorrectly states that the Oil Companies supported the submission of Shand Properties. The associated recommendation in the Section 42A to reject the Oil Companies' further submission, is therefore, incorrect, as the Oil Companies' support the adoption of the section 2 RMA definition of 'contaminated land'.
- 2.4 The recommendation of the Reporting Planner to adopt the section 2 RMA definition of 'contaminated land' satisfies the intent of the Oil Companies Further Submission 1089.1, and the Hearings Panel is urged to adopt it.

## 3. **CONCLUDING STATEMENT**

3.1 Thank you for your time and acknowledgement of the issues raised in the Oil Companies' submissions. Please do not hesitate to contact the writer on 021 0244 3961 should you wish to clarify any matters addressed herein.

Yours sincerely,

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