



19 May 2022

Ariki Tahī Upgrade Hearing Panel
c/- Environmental Protection Authority
Private Bag 63002
Wellington 6140

By email: fasttrack@epa.govt.nz

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thames-Coromandel District Council's Acknowledgement for the Ariki Tahī Sugarloaf Wharf Limited Company to Have Access to Council's Existing Wharf Facilities

We write in response to the requirement that the applicant provides evidence of assurances or agreements that Thames-Coromandel District Council (Council) gives permission to access existing wharf facilities for the purpose of construction of the new wharf.

We advise that the applicant company Ariki Tahī Sugarloaf Wharf Limited (ATSWL) is owned in equal shares by Crown Regional Holdings Limited, Coromandel Marine Farmers Association Incorporated and the Council.

The Shareholders Agreement entered into by the 3 shareholders includes the following provisions:

"The Company is to carry on the business of owning, developing and operating the Wharf for the use of the marine industry in the region where the Wharf is located, and for recreational public use."

"The Company will enter into, and maintain in force, the Wharf Operating Agreement with TCDC under which it will contract with TCDC to carry out the prudent operation of the Wharf."

The shareholding and provisions of the Shareholders Agreement evidence that Council is fully committed to the development.

In order for the development to occur, Council acknowledge that ATSWL will require access to the existing reclamations and other wharf facilities as is required for pre-construction investigations and construction of the new wharf facility including redevelopment of the existing reclamation areas as required by the new wharf plans.

The Council and ATSWL will agree to an operational plan for the development dealing with such matters as health and safety and compliance with consents and other standard matters for such developments.

Further, Council and ATSWL are working through the transfer to ATSWL of any resource consents held by Council and any wharf facilities owned by Council, which may need to be incorporated into the new facilities.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rex Capil', written in a cursive style.

Rex Capil
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE