

7 July 2021



Environmental Protection Authority
Level 10, 215 Lambton Quay
Wellington 6011

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Kapuni Green Hydrogen Project - ID 2020-028

On behalf of the Taranaki Māori Trust Board (the “Board”), I confirm that Hiringa Energy Limited has had some engagement with the Board Chair in respect of the above project.

We have reviewed the Honourable Minister Parker’s notice of decision and referral order dated 23 February 2021 and his direction that the applicant provide with its application:

- a. A cultural impact assessment prepared by or on behalf of the Taranaki Māori Trust Board as the collective representative of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki; or
- b. If a cultural impact assessment is not provided, a statement of any reasons given by the Taranaki Māori Trust Board for not providing that assessment.

The Board is aware that Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust (TKONT), Ngāti Tū and Ngāti Manuhiakai are providing cultural impact assessments or a letter of support on the application. As TKONT, Ngāti Tū and Ngāti Manuhiakai are the relevant iwi and hapū with mana whenua over the application site, the Board does not consider it is necessary or appropriate to provide a separate cultural impact assessment and it does not intend to do so.

Naaku iti nei

Wharehoka Wano
Chairperson
Taranaki Māori Trust Board