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Dear Elliot

RESPONSE TO WRITTEN COMMENTS IN RESPECT OF THE ROTOKAURI NORTH STAGE 1 FAST TRACK APPLICATION

Introduction

1. We act for Rotokauri North Holdings Limited, who are the applicant for the Rotokauri North Stage 1 Project (the Project).
2. This addresses comments made pursuant to Schedule 32 of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA) regarding the Project.

Response to comments received

3. The applicant team have reviewed all comments received on the Project from those parties who were invited to comment and submitted comments. Specific responses have been provided to all who were invited to comment, with the exception of Hamilton City Council.
4. In respect of the responses which have been provided, a table of responses is appended to this letter as **Appendix A**. The table provides both a summary of the comments received from each party, and response with supporting technical responses imbedded into the tabulated response, with the exception of the acoustic response prepared by Agile which is provided separately as **Appendix B**.
5. Updated plans prepared by BBO in response to comments received relating to stormwater management have also been provided with this letter as **Appendix C**. These replace the plans submitted with this application.

Request for suspension

6. To facilitate responses to the comments made by Hamilton City Council (HCC), this letter seeks a suspension of processing until 4 July 2022 in accordance with section 23 of the FTCA.

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7. The applicant had undertaken several workshops with HCC on the technical detail of the application prior to lodgement and during the processing of the fast track, and it considered that the benefit of this has been reflected in the comments received.
8. However, the applicant considers that in order to ensure a comprehensive response to the comments, including commentary and/or updates to the conditions a small amount of additional time is required.
9. For clarity it is intended to provide a full updated set of conditions, which take into account changes responding to comments by made by all parties, alongside the delayed response to the comments from HCC. Where changes requested by HCC have not been agreed to by the applicant, these will be detailed in the response.
10. Accordingly, the applicant respectfully requests a suspension of the processing of the Project until 4 July 2022.

Yours sincerely



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