

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH
I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA**

ENV-2018-CHC-254

UNDER	The Resource Management Act 1991 (Act)
IN THE MATTER	of an appeal under clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 of the Act
BETWEEN	FEDERATED FARMERS OF NEW ZEALAND INC Appellant
AND	DUNEDIN CITY COUNCIL Respondent

**NOTICE OF TRANSPower NEW ZEALAND LIMITED'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO
PROCEEDINGS**

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**To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch**

1. Transpower New Zealand Limited (**Transpower**) gives notice that it wishes to be a party to the appeal by Federated Farmers of New Zealand Incorporated (**Federated Farmers**) against a decision of the Dunedin City Council on the Dunedin 2GP District Plan (**2GP**).
2. Transpower is a person who made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings (submissions 806 and 2453). Transpower made a submission on the provision appealed (Policy 2.3.1.7), and the appeal point concerns the same topics and issues that are prevalent throughout its submissions.
3. Transpower is also a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the public generally for the reasons set out in its Appeal (ENV-2018-CHC-249) at paragraphs 5 to 10.
4. Transpower is not a trade competitor for the purposes of 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
5. Transpower is interested in the part of the proceedings that may or will affect its ability to operate, maintain, develop and upgrade the National Grid, as set out in **Appendix A**. Transpower opposes this relief.
6. The general reasons for Transpower's interest in the proceedings are set out in its Notice of Appeal at paragraphs 13 to 15. In addition, and without limiting those reasons, Transpower does not support policy wording that weakens the direction in the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission regarding third party effects on the National Grid. Federated Farmers' relief is also inconsistent with Transpower's relief sought in its Notice of Appeal on Policy 2.3.1.7.¹

¹ Notice of Appeal by Transpower dated 19 December 2018, at paragraph 11 and Attachment 1, page 4.

7. Transpower agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

DATED this 31st day of January 2019



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Appendix A

Parts of the proceeding that Transpower is interested in

PROVISION APPEALED BY FEDERATED FARMERS	RELIEF SOUGHT BY FEDERATED FARMERS Additions shown with <u>underline</u> text and deletions shown with striketrough on the Decisions version of the 2GP.	POSITION ON RELIEF
Chapter 2 Strategic Directions		
Policy 2.3.1.7	Amend Policy 2.3.1.7 as follows: Enable network utilities through: a) Identifying National Grid infrastructure on planning maps and protecting <u>including provisions to enable</u> the safe and efficient establishment, operation and upgrading of this infrastructure from inappropriate development; b) Rules that enable network utilities to be established, operated and upgraded efficiently and effectively, while managing effects on the environment; and c) Rules that require activities that may damage or impeded access to network utilities and activities that may be sensitive to their effects to be set back an adequate distance from network utilities.	Oppose.