Notice of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua's wish to be party to proceedings

Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991

To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

- 1. Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua (Ngāti Rārua) wish to be a party to the appeal by Te Ātiawa o Te Waka-a-Māui Trust against a decision of the Marlborough District Council on the Proposed Marlborough District Plan (PMEP) (ENV-2020-CHC-43).
- 2. Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua is the mandated iwi authority of the iwi Ngāti Rārua, who are tangata whenua of Te Tau Ihu o te Waka o Maui.
- 3. We made a submission on the Proposed Plan.
- 4. We are not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 5. The parts of the proceedings we are interested in are Topic 2: Marlborough's Tangata Whenua Iwi.
- 6. We are interested in the following particular issues:
 - 6.1 The definition of 'Māori Cultural values'
 - 6.2 The definition and appendices of cultural Sites of Significance to Māori/iwi.
- 7. We support the relief sought because:
 - 7.1 It provides for the social, cultural, environmental and economic wellbeing of iwi/Māori;
 - 7.2 Recognises and provides for the relationship of Māori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands, sites, wāhi tapu and other taonga; and
 - 7.3 Allows for the exercise of kaitiakitanga.
- 8. We agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

9. We advise that we are also seeking to join the appeals brought by Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau (ENV-2020-CHC-39), Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (ENV-2020-CHC-46); Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Kuia Trust (ENV-2020-CHC-70); and Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (ENV-2020-CHC-36) on similar issues.

Signed for and on behalf of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rārua:

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