

Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan

Minute of the Hearing Panel

Minute 3F

On 6 November 2017, the Proposed Marlborough Environment Plan Hearing Panel (the Panel) received a request from counsel for the Marine Farming Association Incorporated (MFA) and Aquaculture New Zealand Limited (AQNZ) for additional time to present its submissions and evidence for Topics 1 and 3. MFA and AQNZ have sought two hours to do so.

Counsel for MFA and AQNZ identified that they intend providing legal submissions and evidence from 10 witnesses, and have estimated each witness will take approximately 5 minutes. The witnesses are named in the request.

Counsel also highlighted that they will effectively be presenting a submission on behalf of the marine farming industry with an inference that this may avoid the need for individual marine farmers that have submitted to appear.

The Panel considered the above information and considered it reasonable to provide the requested two hour slot in the circumstances. The presentation of an industry submission will most effectively and efficiently utilise the time of the Panel.

Dated 8 November 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Hook', followed by a period.

Councillor Trevor Hook

Chair of the MEP Hearing Panel