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Notice of person's wish to be party to proceedings Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991

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The **Marlborough Environment Centre [MEC]** wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:

Marine Farming Association Inc and Aquaculture New Zealand v
Marlborough District Council (concerning the proposed Marlborough Environment
Plan) ENV-2020-CHC-74

MEC made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.

MEC is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.

MEC is interested in part of the proceedings.

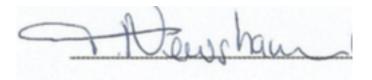
The part of the proceedings MEC is interested in is set out in the appellant's notice of appeal at section 15 (Indigenous Biodiversity) and section 23 (Coastal Occupancy Charges).

MEC is interested in the following particular issues:

- Ecologically Significant Marine Sites: including the extent of buffer zones around ESMS; extent of overlap with existing marine farms; and deposition in ESMS.
- Coastal Occupancy Charges: to be part of the Marlborough District Council Annual Plan process; the equitable calculation of the charges and use of those charges; role of a consultative group in allocating funds derived from the charges.

MEC opposes the relief sought because it will fail to achieve the objectives and policies of the Marlborough Environment Plan and the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement, and thereby fail to support or encourage sustainable management of the coastal environment.

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



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