IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT AUCKLAND

ENV-2016-AKL-000232

UNDER THE Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA") and the

Local Government (Auckland Transitional

Provisions) Act 2010 ("LGATPA")

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under section 156(1) of the LGATPA

AND

IN THE MATTER of section 274 of the RMA

AND

IN THE MATTER of hearing Topic 081 - Rezoning and Precincts

(Geographical Areas) ("Topic 081") of the

Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan

BETWEEN BUNNINGS LIMITED

Appellant

AND AUCKLAND COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE OF NEW ZEALAND RETAIL PROPERTY GROUP LIMITED'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS

5 OCTOBER 2016

To: the Registrar of the Environment Court at Auckland

And to: the Appellant

And to: Auckland Council

NEW ZEALAND RETAIL PROPERTY GROUP LIMITED ("NZRPG") wishes to be a party to an appeal by Bunnings Limited ("Appellant") against part of a decision by Auckland Council ("Council") to accept an out of scope recommendation by the Independent Hearings Panel ("Panel") in relation to the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan ("Unitary Plan").

Nature of interest

- NZRPG is a large privately owned retail development, investment and property management company in New Zealand. NZRPG has had a long involvement in the development of the Massey North area and is the major land owner and developer of the Westgate Town Centre.
- 2. NZRPG was a submitter on Topic 081 and presented evidence at the hearing for Topic 081 in relation to the Massey North area.
- 3. NZRPG has made submissions on the Redhills special housing area
- 4. NZRPG is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the RMA.

Extent of interest and reasons

- 5. NZRPG is interested in the entirety of the proceedings and supports the Apellant's appeal for the following reasons:
 - (a) the Council's decision on the Unitary Plan as it relates to the precinct plan for the Redhills Precinct ("**Decision**") does not promote the purpose of the RMA; and
 - (b) the Decision does not represent the most appropriate means of exercising the Council's function regarding the efficiency and effectiveness of other available means, and is therefore not appropriate in terms of section 32 of the RMA.

Relief sought

- 6. NZRPG supports the relief sought by the Appellant and in particular, seeks that:
 - (a) the Redhills Precinct Plan is replaced with the proposed precinct plan in either the Hugh Green Limited or Westgate Partnership original submission; and
 - (b) any consequential relief which may be required as a result of allowing all or any aspects of the appeal.

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