BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT ENV-2016-AKL-000190

AT AUCKLAND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under section 156 of

the Local Government (Auckland Transitional Provisions) Act

2010

BETWEEN The National Trading

Company of New Zealand

Limited

Appellant

AND Auckland Council

Respondent

NOTICE OF WISH TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS BY THE MINISTER OF CONSERVATION

Dated: 6 October 2016

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Notice of Person's wish to be a Party to Proceedings Section 274 Resource Management Act 1991

To: The Registrar Environment Court AUCKLAND

- 1. I, Margaret Barry, Minister of Conservation wish to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - 1.1. The National Trading Company of New Zealand Limited v Auckland Council, ENV-2016-AKL-000190.
- 2. I am a person who made a further submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3. I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).
- 4. I am interested in all of the proceedings.
- 5. I am interested in the following particular issues:
 - 5.1. The appropriateness of addressing kauri dieback disease in the context of the provisions of the RMA that address biodiversity.
 - 5.2. The specific provisions in the proposed Auckland Unitary Plan that control earthworks to prevent the spread of kauri dieback disease.
 - 5.3. The practical benefit of addressing the spread of kauri dieback disease in the proposed Auckland Unitary Plan.
 - 5.4. The most efficient and effective means of preventing the spread of kauri dieback disease.
- 6. I oppose the relief sought for the following reasons:
 - 6.1. The provisions in the proposed Auckland Unitary Plan sought to be deleted maintain indigenous biodiversity by controlling earthworks to prevent the spread of kauri dieback disease.
 - 6.2. Removing the kauri dieback controls will not:
 - a) Recognise and provide for the protection of areas of significant indigenous vegetation and significant habitat of indigenous fauna;

- b) Give effect to the Regional Policy Statement; and
- c) Promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources.
- 7. I agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Teall Crossen

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6 October 2016

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