Form 33

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

TO:

The Registrar
Environment Court
Wellington

1. Rayonier Matariki Forests (RMF) wishes to be a party to the following notice of appeal proceedings:

The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated v Central Hawke's Bay District Council ENV-2023-AKL -116

- 2. RMF was a person who made a submission on the rule in the Proposed District Plan now the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3. RMF is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4. RMF is interested in the following part of the notice of appeal:
 - a. ECO-R1
- 5. RMF does not support the relief sought for the following reasons:
 - a. RMF supported the original drafting of the rule which excluded Plantation Forestry undergrowth. Such an approach is in alignment with the provisions of the National Environmental Standard for Plantation Forestry (NESPF).
 - b. In relation to Plantation Forestry, the proposal by the appellant is contrary to the provisions of the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity.
 - c. The proposal would result in harvesting of the planted trees to be by way of a resource consent. This does not comply with the NESPF.
- 6. RMF agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the appeal proceedings.

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Patricia Fordyce authorised to sign on behalf of Rayonier Matariki Forests

Date 28 July 2023

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