## IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

## **AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

**IN THE MATTER** of appeals under Clause 14(1) of the First

Schedule of the Act in relation to the

Proposed Waikato District Plan

BETWEEN Director-General of Conservation

Appellant

AND Waikato District Council

Respondent

NOTICE OF WISH TO BE

PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO

**SECTION 274 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991** 

To: The Registrar

**Environment Court** 

Auckland

- The Pukekohe Vegetable Growers Association (PVGA) wishes to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991
   ("RMA") to the following proceedings:
  - (a) Director-General of Conservation v Waikato District Council
    (ENV-2022-AKL-000036) being an appeal against decisions
    of the Waikato District Council on the Proposed Waikato
    District Plan.
- 2. PVGA has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the general public as it represents interest groups in the community that are likely to be affected by the proposed relief sought by the Appellant.
- 3. PVGA is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
- 4. PVGA is interested in part of the proceedings.
- 5. The parts of the proceedings PVGA is interested in, including the particular issues and whether PVGA supports, opposes or conditionally opposes the relief sought are set out in the attached table.
- 6. PVGA agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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| Provision                       | Support/Oppose | Reason                          |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 'New and / or stronger          | Oppose in part | The extent of the changes       |
| objectives, policies and rules  |                | sought in the Director-General  |
| to control potential effects of |                | of Conservation's appeal is not |
| the use, development or         |                | clear. The decision version of  |
| protection of land for the      |                | the Plan already includes       |
| purpose of preventing any       |                | controls relating to kauri      |
| adverse effects associated      |                | dieback in respect of ancillary |
| with the spread of kauri        |                | rural earthworks.               |
| dieback. In particular,         |                |                                 |
| provisions that control         |                |                                 |
| activities such as earthworks,  |                |                                 |
| gardening, cultivation and      |                |                                 |
| disturbance of land for the     |                |                                 |
| installation of fence posts     |                |                                 |
| within the kauri root zone'     |                |                                 |