IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act

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IN THE MATTER of hearing submissions and further

submissions on the Proposed

Waikato District Plan

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IN THE MATTER of a request for additional

presentation time by NZTE

Operations Limited at Hearing 17 Te

Kowhai Airpark

MINUTE FROM HEARING COMMISSIONERS

2 March 2021

INTRODUCTION

- 1. On 1 March 2021, the Hearings Panel received a memorandum from counsel acting for NZTE Operations Limited [823] requesting three and a half hours to present evidence, legal submissions, and reply to the submitter evidence and legal submissions of other parties at Hearing 17 Te Kowhai Airpark. This allocation of time exceeds the timeframes we set out in the Panel's first Directions of 21 May 2019.
- 2. Counsel has also requested a right of reply to other opposing submissions. This hearing is due to begin on 8 March 2021.
- 3. The Panel is prepared to grant the request for the time allocation but considers counsel has likely overestimated the time required, given that all the evidence and legal submissions will have been pre read and taking into account the key issues are expected to be addressed in Summary Statements. These procedures are intended to achieve a focused and time efficient presentation.
- 4. The Panel will also grant counsel a right of reply to opposing submitters, but only to respond to any additional evidence given by those submitters. The timing of the reply will be decided at the hearing.
- 5. Any questions concerning this response should be addressed to the Hearings Administrator, Mr Bell.
- 6. Mr Bell's contact details are as follows:

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P H Mitchell (Chair)

On behalf of the Hearings Panel

2 March 2021