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# ***SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS (DECISIONS REQUESTED AND REASONS)***

## ***Agenda 12: Plan Change 12 - Utilities Height Plan***

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### ***Ref Relief Sought***

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#### ***MainPower NZ Ltd***

57.1 Retain Rule 30.1.1.12 and add an exemption to Rule 30.1.2 to provide for temporary structures with a low visual profile (i.e. meteorological monitoring masts of solid width of no more than 0.25m or lattice structures) to exceed the 25m height limit under Rule 30.1.1.12

*Reason* Whilst MainPower generally supports the introduction of Rule 30.1.1.12 it is considered that an exemption to this condition is required under Rule 30.1.2 to allow for temporary structures (in place for no more than three years) to exceed a height of 25m where the visual effects on the environment will be no more than minor. An example of where it is considered that such an exemption is required is for temporary meteorological masts for meteorological monitoring with poles of no more than 0.25m width (solid measure) or with lattice structures, given their low visual profile.

#### ***Telecom NZ Ltd & Telecom Mobile Ltd***

58.1 Delete Rule 30.1.1.12 in its entirety, or in the alternative:

Alter Rule 30.1.1.12 so radio communication facilities are exempt from this rule, or the maximum height for radio communication facilities is increased to 36 metres exclusive of antennas and their mounting structures, or the maximum 25 metre height applies only to those radio communication facilities which have support structures having an exterior dimension that exceeds 500 mm above a point of 5 metres above ground level.

Any consequential alterations resulting from the above options.

Such other relief, which in the circumstances is an appropriate method of achieving the desired relief as listed above.

*Reason* Telecom NZ Ltd and Telecom Mobile Ltd are opposed to Rule 30.1.1.12. The restriction on the height of an antenna will directly affect the operation of existing and proposed networks. New structures tend to be very slim and streamlined and as such the visibility of them is correspondingly low.

