

**BEFORE THE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL APPOINTED
BY WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL**

In the matter of

the Resource Management Act 1991

and

**the request made by Rolleston
Industrial Developments Limited for
Private Plan Change 31 to the
Operative Waimakariri District Plan**

Memorandum

**Transpower New Zealand Limited
(submitter reference 191)**

dated 2 August 2023

1. Transpower New Zealand Limited ("Transpower") has made a submission and further submissions on the Proposed Plan Change 31 to the Operative Waimakariri District Plan ("Proposed Plan Change") (submitter reference 191).
2. Transpower has filed expert planning evidence addressing the relief sought in Transpower's submission and the recommendations in the 'Section 42A Report RCP031 Ohoka Plan Change prepared for the Hearings on the Operative Waimakariri District Plan' dated 3 August 2023 ("Section 42A Report").
3. Transpower's expert evidence does not agree with the conclusion in the 'Request for Change to the Waimakariri District Plan prepared for Rolleston Industrial Developments Limited, 535 Mill Road, Ohoka' dated June 2022 ("Plan Change Request") or the Section 42A Report that the Proposed Plan Change gives effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission 2008 ("NPSET") or the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement ("CRPS"). Rather, Transpower's expert witness concludes that the Proposed Plan Change does not give effect to the higher order planning instruments.
4. As such, with reference to the Independent Hearings Panel's Minute 2 (dated 31 July 2023), Transpower considers that the matters raised, and relief sought, in Transpower's submission remain unresolved.
5. The memorandum to the Independent Hearings Panel prepared by Mr Willis in response to Minute 2 (dated 2 August 2023) does not address Transpower's submission or evidence.
6. The purpose of this memorandum is to confirm that, in addition to the matters identified by Mr Willis, the matters raised in Transpower's submission are unresolved at this time.
7. That said, Transpower can confirm that there has been dialogue with the applicant's planning expert witness with a view to addressing or narrowing the unresolved matters in the coming days.