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Attention: Hearing Commissioners

Dear Hearing Commissioners

Hearing - 2022-47 (Subdivision) and 2022-49 (NES Land use) - 98C Ohiwa Harbour Road (Onekawa Road), Ohiwa

Fire and Emergency New Zealand (Fire and Emergency) has lodged a submission on resource consent 2022-47 (Subdivision) by G and S Stilwell. Fire and Emergency has received the section 42A report which recommends that the application 2022-47 be declined.

Fire and Emergency has opted not to attend the hearing and requests that in lieu of attendance this letter be tabled for the Hearing Commissioners' consideration.

Fire and Emergency have sought conditions of consent to ensure that there is sufficient provision of firefighting water supply and adequate access for fire appliances. Fire and Emergency also supported and encouraged the consideration and adoption of fire risk management measures such as appropriate building setbacks and the planting of low flammability plant species and that such measures deemed appropriate be incorporated into the subdivision design.

In the section 42A report, the reporting officer has prescribed the firefighting water supply requirements (paragraph 7.97) and considers that, subject to the imposition of conditions, any potential effects related to firefighting water supply "could be managed effectively". The reporting officer has further provided example subdivision conditions within Appendix 7, notwithstanding the reporting officer's recommendation to decline consent. This includes condition 33 that requires, "A consent notice, or other form of legal covenant, shall be registered against the computer register of Lots 1-5, 6, 7, 10-12 to record that the owner(s) shall on a continuing basis; ...

xiii. Ensure all habitable dwellings are be provided with a firefighting water supply and access to that supply that complies with the New Zealand Fire Service Firefighting Water Supplies Code of Practice SNZ PAS 4509:2008".

This includes the supporting advice note 6 as requested in Fire and Emergency's original submission.

Fire and Emergency further sought a condition of consent requesting that, "prior to the construction of any habitable dwelling, adequate access to the lot shall be provided in accordance with the Council's Engineering Code of Practice for Subdivision and Development and compliant with the minimum standards".

It is noted that cumulatively, conditions 16-21 adequately addresses this matter and are subsequently supported by Fire and Emergency.

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On this basis, should Hearing Commissioners be minded to grant resource consent 2022-47, Fire and Emergency request that the above conditions or similar be adopted as part of the consent in accordance with Fire and Emergency's submission.

Yours sincerely



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