IN THE MATTER OF

the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

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Waikato IPIs - Hamilton CC PC12, Waipa DC PC26 and Waikato DC

Variation 3.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991 DIRECTION #2 INDEPENDENT HEARING PANEL

- 1. The Panel has been asked to clarify procedures for dealing with invalid, potentially invalid, or late submission.
- 2. The Panel directs as follows:
 - (a) Council officers (or their appointees) should make the first determination as to whether a submission (primary, further or late) should be accepted or rejected.
 - (b) Where it is not clear as to whether a submission should be either accepted or rejected, that submission should be referred to the Panel for final determination.
 - (c) Late submissions should be determined on their merits in terms of the matters stated for consideration in s.37A RMA. Late submissions that are properly on the plan change and that arrive in sufficient time for other parties to take notice of and be able to respond as necessary or as appropriate, should generally be accepted.
- 3. Any queries or correspondence related to this Minute should be sent through to the Panel Co-ordinator, Steve Rice at steve@riceres.co.nz.

David Hill (Chairperson) Independent Hearing Panel

25 August 2022