

# Further Submission by Transpower New Zealand Limited

## Whanganui Proposed District Plan Change 51 - Miscellaneous

23 September 2016

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## **Further submission by Transpower New Zealand Ltd on the Proposed Whanganui District Plan Change 51**

**To** Whanganui District Council (the Council)

**Name:** Transpower New Zealand Limited (Transpower)

**This is a further submission in support of, and in opposition to, a number of submissions on the Whanganui Proposed Plan Change 51.**

Transpower is making this further submission (refer attached table) in accordance with Clause 6, Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Transpower has an interest in the Proposed Plan that is greater than the interest that the general public has, for reasons including the following:

- Transpower has an interest as a landowner and occupier in respect of existing and future infrastructure which is potentially affected (directly or indirectly) by the relevant submissions; and/or
- Transpower made an original submission on matters raised or affected by those submissions.

### **Transpower's further submission**

Transpower's support of, or opposition to, a particular submission including the reasons for Transpower's support or opposition and the relief sought are identified in the detailed table included in Schedule 1 (attached). The general reasons for Transpower's further submission are set out below. These reasons apply in respect the submission identified in Schedule 1 and are also supplemented by the more specific reasons and relief in Schedule 1.

#### General reasons in respect of submissions supported by Transpower

Transpower is supportive of the submissions identified in Schedule 1 insofar as they are generally consistent with the outcomes sought in its original submissions, including the extent to which they:

- Give effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission 2008 (NPSET);
- Are consistent with, and/or promote the outcomes sought by, the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Electricity Transmission Activities) Regulations 2009 (NESETA);
- Enable people and communications to provide for their social, economic, and cultural well-being and for their health and safety;
- Recognise the National Grid as a physical resource of national importance and the need to enable its safe, effective and efficient operation, maintenance, upgrade and development;
- Are the most appropriate means of exercising Council's functions in respect of section 32 of the RMA, and
- Enable the protection of Transpower's infrastructure and operations in the Whanganui District.

Transpower seeks that the submissions it supports be allowed to the extent that they achieve the matters set out above or such further alternative relief or amendments as may be necessary to achieve those matters.

**Transpower wishes to be heard in support of its further submission.**

**Due to the specific interests of Transpower in the context of the National Grid, Transpower will not consider presenting a joint case with others at a hearing.**

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**Signature of the person authorised to sign  
on behalf of Transpower New Zealand Limited**

**Date:** 23 September 2016

## Schedule 1: Transpower New Zealand Limited – Further Submission

Submitter	Proposed Plan Provision Reference and Submission Summary	Support/ Oppose	Reason	Allow/Disallow
<b>Definitions</b>				
Powerco Limited  Submission 2	<p>Opposes proposed definition of “development” which states:</p> <p><u>Development means:</u></p> <p><u>a. Any erection, reconstruction, placement, alteration, extension, removal, or demolition of any structure in, on, under, or over the land</u></p> <p><u>b. Any excavation, drilling, tunnelling, or other disturbance of the land; or</u></p> <p><u>c. Any destruction of, damage to, or disturbance of, the habitats of plants or animals in, on, or under the land; or</u></p> <p><u>d. Any deposit of substance in, on, or under the land; except where these activities are carried out as part of a subdivision which is subject to the rules of the District Plan and the provisions of the Resource Management Act 1991.”</u></p> <p>Seeks to amend the definition to refer to buildings only (as per the operative definition).</p>	Support in part	Transpower supports this submission to the extent that the proposed definition is not clear. If a definition for development is included within the District Plan, the definition needs to address all uses of the word within the Plan to ensure its applicability is clearly understood to plan users.	<b>Allow</b>