

MEMORANDUM | 19 June 2009

TO James Baines
FROM Emanuel Kalafatelis, Research New Zealand
SUBJECT Caucusing 18 June 2009 (4.30 – 5.05 PM)

Introduction

Thank you for agreeing to caucus with me today and the discussion relating to Mighty River Power's proposal to build a wind farm in and around the Turitea Water Reserve, close to Palmerston North.

The purpose of this memo is to note what we agreed.

Residents in the Turitea Valley have both positive and negative views about MRP's proposal

During our caucusing today I referred to some of the feedback you had recorded as a result of your focus group with residents living in the Turitea Valley. Specifically, I noted that some of the feedback with respect to wind farm development was positive and that I found this interesting.

You commented that you were not at all surprised by this. In part, this was because of your belief that people living in the Palmerston North area were generally quite positive about the wind farm development that had occurred to date, as shown by the Panel Survey results.

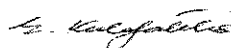
You also commented that, given this, you were not at all surprised that some residents living in the Turitea Valley are in favour of MRP's proposal.

The Research New Zealand Public Perception Survey and the PNCC Citizen's Panel Survey cannot be compared

During our caucusing today we discussed whether it was possible to compare and contrast the results of the Research New Zealand Public Perception Survey and the PNCC Citizen's Panel Survey. We agreed that the surveys were so fundamentally different in terms of their methodology that comparisons between these two surveys could not be made.

Confirmation

I confirm that this memorandum reflects the two points agreed during our caucusing.



Emanuel Kalafatelis

Date: 18 June 2009



James Talbot Baines

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