

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of a Board of Inquiry appointed under s146 of the Resource Management Act 1991 to consider an application by Mighty River Power Limited for resource consents to construct, operate, and maintain a wind farm at Turitea

DIRECTIONS

AUDIO PRESENTATION OF DOUGLAS SCOTT PRINGLE

The Board is in receipt of the Statement of Evidence of Mr Pringle and the Exhibits supplied in support.

On the Board's behalf I direct that it is inappropriate for Mr Pringle to present a random sound generation to the inquiry in order that we may experience sound pressure levels (I also note the apparatus can generate octave band frequencies).

The reasons for this are as follows:

- a presentation in a room, such as Mr Pringle promotes, cannot duplicate the varying wind measurements at night in situ;
- it cannot duplicate the random sounds which may or may not occur at night time;
- it cannot produce a realistic appraisal of stable vs non-stable air at night;
- it cannot duplicate topographical issues.

A site visit to an existing wind farm at night may be of more assistance to the Board but this will be decided after we have heard all the noise evidence.

We look forward to hearing Mr Pringle's evidence-in-chief.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. E. Kenderdine".

Environment Judge S.E. Kenderdine

Chair

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