

APPLICATIONS FOR RESOURCE CONSENTS TO CONSTRUCT ENHANCEMENTS TO, AND OPERATE AND MAINTAIN, THE KANIERE FORKS AND MCKAYS CREEK HYDROELECTRIC POWER SCHEMES ("HEPS") AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES

**To: Westland District Council
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TRUSTPOWER LIMITED ("TrustPower") hereby applies for the following resource consents pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA"):

Owners/Occupiers of land to which the applications relate

1 The legal descriptions of land to which these resource consent applications relate are as follows, and shown on the Map attached to this Form:

Legal Description

- RS2230
- Pt RES 1411
- Pt RES 1177
- Pt Res 1667
- RS 4555
- Sec 1,2 and 3 SO 12532
- Lot 2, DP 324352
- Sec 3 SO 11545
- Crown Land Survey Office Plan 3001
- Pt Res 1622
- Crown Land Survey Office Plan 1632
- Crown Land Survey Office Plan 10919
- Crown Land Survey Office Plan 4134
- Crown Land
- Lot 1 DP 3654

Location

2 These applications relate to land described in the attached Assessment of Environmental Effects ("AEE") and the alignment shown in Figures 1, 3, and 4 of the AEE, and are more particularly set out in the AEE in Sections 3 and 4 and those shown on map attached to this form : Project Overview Sheet 1 - Existing Scheme with Cadastre.

Type of Resource Consents Sought

3 The following types of resource consents are sought by these applications:

- (a) Land use Consents.

Description and Purpose of the Proposed Activities

4 The proposed activities, including their intended location, are more fully described within the attached AEE. In summary, TrustPower proposes to:

- (a) Refurbish and enhance the existing HEPS to provide for the efficient utilisation of infrastructure and investment and assist in ensuring a secure supply of electricity for Hokitika and the wider West Coast region; and
- (b) Continue to operate and maintain the HEPS (including the proposed enhancement works, when constructed).

Resource Consents Sought

5 TrustPower applies for **all necessary resource consents** to carry out the refurbishing and enhancement works, and continue to operate and maintain the HEPS, as detailed in the AEE including, but not limited to:

- (a) **Land use consents** to:
- i. construct, operate and maintain the scheme as a whole;
 - ii. generate electricity by hydro-electric generation; and
 - iii. undertake large scale earthworks and deposition of fill and clearance of indigenous vegetation both within and outside riparian margins; and
- (b) **Any other land use consents necessary to enable TrustPower to construct, operate and maintain the HEPS (including the proposed enhancements).**

Commencement Date and Term of Consents

- 6 The default statutory lapsing period for resource consents is five years, however, given the nature of the proposal and the need to maintain flexibility over construction commencement, TrustPower requests that a lapsing period of 10 years apply to all resource consents.

Other Resource Consents Needed

- 7 Resource consent applications have been filed with the West Coast Regional Council, a copy of which is attached. Those applications rely on the same AEE as the present applications.

AEE

- 8 Attached, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the RMA, is an AEE in detail that corresponds with the scale and significance of the effects that the proposed activities may have on the environment.

Information required to be included by the district plan, any regional plans, the RMA or any regulations made under that Act

- 9 All relevant information required to be included in these applications by the RMA and relevant plans is contained as applicable within the application, the AEE and the accompanying plans and information.

Consultation

- 10 Section 5 of the AEE identifies those persons affected by or interested in the proposal, consultation undertaken and the responses of those consulted.



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