

Before The Canterbury  
Regional Council

**In the Matter**

Of: Applications  
associated with  
the take and use  
of water in the  
Lower Waitaki  
Catchment  
including Hunter  
Downs Irrigation.

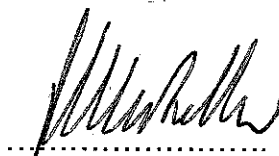
**MINUTE TO PARTIES**

The Panel issued a Minute to Parties in all these proceedings on 1 July 2009. This followed responses to the Panel's Minute of 18 May 2009 concerning two matters that had arisen during the Panel's deliberations on these applications.

Since the Minute of 1 July 2009 Panel members have been working steadily towards completing decisions on all these applications commensurate with their various responsibilities on other matters.

In the Minute of 1 July 2009 the Panel advised that it was unlikely that all decisions would be completed before the end of October 2009. Unfortunately there is still work to be done particularly on the major decisions before they can be issued. Some decisions were issued on 2 November 2009 and the remainder will be issued progressively over the next 4 to 5 weeks.

Dated at Christchurch this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2009.



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**P/R Skelton**  
**Commissioner and Chair**