

Sample of letter sent to Submitters

10 July 2009

Dear Sir / Madam

PROPOSED CANTERBURY NATURAL RESOURCES REGIONAL PLAN Chapter 3: Air Quality. Plan provisions relating to the management of PM₁₀ contaminant in Ashburton (Variation 13)

NOTICE OF DECISIONS ON SUBMISSIONS AND FURTHER SUBMISSIONS

Dear Submitter,

On 16 August 2008, Environment Canterbury publicly notified Variation 13 to Chapter 3: Air Quality of the Proposed Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan (PNRRP) comprising: Plan provisions relating to the management of PM₁₀ contaminant in Ashburton (Variation 13)

The period for lodging submissions on Variation 13 closed on 22 September 2008. Six submissions were received.

A summary of decisions requested was notified on 18 October 2008 and the period for further submissions in support or opposition to those original submissions closed on 21 November 2008. Two further submissions in support or opposition to those original submissions were received to Variation 13.

You lodged either a submission or a further submission on Variation 13. You are therefore a submitter and/or further submitter for whom decisions have been made by the Canterbury Regional Council to accept or reject your submission, either fully or in part. You are hereby served notice of the decision(s) on your submission(s). Please find enclosed a copy documentation of Variation 13 which you submitted on.

On 29 January 2009, the Canterbury Regional Council appointed Councillors McKay and Little and District Councillor Kilworth was appointed by the Ashburton District Council to hear submissions on Variation 13 and recommend decisions to Council. Cr McKay was appointed to chair the hearings, which took place on 14 April 2009 at the Ashburton District Council. Two submitters were heard in person, and a further two parties provided the Hearings Committee with additional written evidence, which was considered.

On 25 June 2009 the Canterbury Regional Council made its decisions on submissions and further submissions on Variation 13 to Chapter 3 of the Proposed Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan. In doing so it adopted the report and recommendations of the Hearing Committee appointed by the Council to hear those submissions.

You may appeal to the Environment Court in respect to any provision included, or proposed to be included in the plan, or excluded, or proposed to be excluded from the plan, provided you have referred to that provision in your submission.

Our Ref: NRRP/2002/V13/NOT/HEA/1C
Your Ref:
Contact: Andrew Parrish

You must lodge such an appeal to the Environment Court within 30 working days of the service of this notice of decision. An appeal form (Form 7) is enclosed with this notice, and it may also be downloaded from the Ministry for the Environment website www.mfe.govt.nz.

The following documents for Variation 13 are available:

1. Recommendations from the Hearing Panel;
2. PNRRP Variation 13
 - a. Section 1 - showing changes made as a result of decisions on submissions; and
 - b. Section 2 - incorporating changes made as a result of decisions on submissions.

Paper and electronic copies of all of material may be inspected during normal office hours at these Environment Canterbury offices: 73 Beach Road, Kaikoura; 58 Kilmore Street, Christchurch; and 75 Church Street, Timaru. They are also available for viewing at the head office and service centres of the city and district councils and at the main public libraries in the Canterbury region.

Copies may also be downloaded from our website www.ecan.govt.nz.

In the Hearing Committee report, the following format is used at the beginning of the summary of the submissions relating to a particular provision: **03-028-6**

The first number refers to the chapter (03 means PNRRP Chapter 3), the second number refers to the page number in the originally notified Variation (028 is page 28), and the third number refers to the paragraph on that page (6 is paragraph 6).

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Parrish, Project Leader – Planning, on 03 372 5213.

Yours faithfully,



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*Attached: Public Notice
Environment Court Appeal form*