UNDER	the Resource Management Act 1991
AND	in the matter of public hearings on
	Proposed Plan Change 1 to the
	Hurunui and Waiau River Regional
	Plan

## **MINUTE 4 of the Hearing Commissioners**

- On 6 October 2019, the Canterbury Regional Council (CRC or 'the Council') received a brief of submitter expert evidence from Beef + Lamb New Zealand Limited (Beef + Lamb). This evidence was received after the 4pm Friday 4 October 2019 timeframe set by our Minute 1 (dated 2 August 2019). Beef + Lamb informed Council Officers of the delay in filing the brief of evidence, but no formal request for an extension of time was formally made to enable the brief of evidence to be received in accordance with the hearing procedures set out in Minute 1.
- 2. On 15 October 2019, we received a Memorandum of Counsel on behalf of the CRC in relation to the late evidence filed by Beef + Lamb. The Memorandum set out the process for granting a waiver of a timeframe and the need to consider undue prejudice to any party. It stated that the Council considers, in this case, there is no undue prejudice to any party arising from the late filing of evidence; and concluded it would be appropriate to waive compliance with the timeframe to accept Beef + Lambs evidence.
- 3. We have considered the matters raised and agree that no party is unduly prejudiced by waiving the timeframe and accepting the late evidence of Beef + Lamb. We therefore grant a waiver and accept the late evidence filed.
- 4. Any information or clarification relating to the public hearings or this Minute should be made by email to <a href="mailto:planhearings@ecan.govt.nz">planhearings@ecan.govt.nz</a> or by phone on 03 365 3828.

J., M. Carry Sharon McGarry

Sharon McGarry Independent Commissioner (Chair) On behalf of the Hearing Commissioners 15 October 2019