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SLR Ref No.: 810.V12957-L01-0.1 Fuel Companies Hearing Statement HS7 - RSI Definition

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RE: Wellington Regional Policy Statement – Proposed Change 1 Hearing Stream 7 – Hearing Statement on behalf of the Fuel Companies (Submitter 157)

Introduction

- This is a hearing statement prepared on behalf of bp Oil New Zealand Limited, Mobil Oil New Zealand Limited, and Z Energy Limited (*the Fuel Companies*) on Hearing Stream 7

 Small topics and Wrap-up. This hearing statement represents the views of the Fuel Companies and is not expert evidence. The Fuel Companies will not be attending the hearing but ask that this Hearing Statement be tabled before the Panel.
- 2. The Fuel Companies receive, store and distribute refined petroleum products around New Zealand. In the Wellington Region, the Fuel Companies' business relates to retail fuel outlets including service stations and truck stops, and supply to commercial facilities. The Fuel Companies also have aviation facilities and bulk fuel supply infrastructure, including bulk storage tanks and associated wharflines and bunkerlines, at port areas within Wellington Harbour (Port Nicholson).

Definition – Regionally Significant Infrastructure

- 3. For Hearing Stream 7, the Fuel Companies wish to support the s42A report relating to the definition for *Regionally Significant Infrastructure*.
- 4. The notified definition for Regionally Significant Infrastructure includes:
 - pipelines for the distribution of petroleum, including associated fittings, appurtenances, fixtures or equipment; and
 - Commercial Port Areas and infrastructure associated with Port related activities in the Lambton Harbour Area within Wellington Harbour (Port Nicholson) and adjacent land used in association with the movement of cargo and passengers and including

bulk fuel supply infrastructure, and storage tanks for bulk liquids, and associated wharflines.

- 5. In relation to the clause in the definition on Commercial Port Areas, the Council's s42A report agrees with the Fuel Companies submission that reference to "Lambton Harbour Area" should be deleted from the clause, as bulk fuel supply infrastructure and associated wharflines located at Seaview in Lower Hutt and at Kaiwharawhara should not be excluded from the definition.
- 6. The Fuel Companies fully supports the s42A report recommendation to amend the clause as follows:
 - Commercial Port Areas and infrastructure associated with Port related activities in the Lambton Harbour Area within Wellington Harbour (Port Nicholson) and adjacent land used in association with the movement of cargo and passengers, and including bulk fuel supply infrastructure, and storage tanks for bulk liquids, and associated wharflines
- 7. The Regionally Significant Infrastructure definition reflects the equivalent definition in the recently operative Natural Resource Plan.
- 8. Thank you for your time and acknowledgement of the issues raised in the submissions from the Fuel Companies. Please do not hesitate to contact the writer (refer details below) should you wish to clarify any matters addressed herein.

Regards,

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