

**Submitter: Meridian Energy Limited - Andrew Feierabend**

**Submission number: 580**

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580.1			Retain the core activities listed in the definition of "Infrastructure" in Chapter 13 Definitions. AND Amend the definition of "Infrastructure" in Chapter 13 Definitions to explicitly include large-scale wind farms, subject to the confirmation of the National Planning Standards definition of "Infrastructure". OR Amend the definition of "Infrastructure" in Chapter 13 definitions to include large-scale wind farms and the ancillary activities necessary to support these including earthworks, access tracks, and ancillary structures, subject to the confirmation of the National Planning Standards definition. OR Amend the policies and rules for addressing "Infrastructure" to explicitly include "large scale windfarms" in a manner that includes all necessary supporting ancillary activities, subject to confirmation of the final Natural Planning Standards definitions. OR Add equivalent objectives, policies, and rules for "large scale wind farms" (including all ancillary activities and structures) as are currently provided for "Infrastructure" as sought in the submission.' AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as	Reject	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure

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			necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.		
<i>FS1223.103</i>	<i>Mercury NZ Limited</i>	Support		<i>Reject</i>	
<i>FS1323.115</i>	<i>Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga</i>	Oppose		<i>Accept</i>	
580.2			Retain the definition of "minor upgrading" in Chapter 13 Definitions, provided it explicitly includes all the ancillary activities and structures necessary to support large-scale wind farms through the amended definition of "Infrastructure" as sought elsewhere in the submission, and subject to confirmation of the National Planning Standards definition.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
<i>FS1223.104</i>	<i>Mercury NZ Limited</i>	Support		<i>Accept</i>	
580.3			Retain the definition of "Large-scale wind farm" in Chapter 13 Definitions.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
580.4			Retain the permitted activity provision for minor upgrading in Rule 14.3.1 P2, except for the amendments sought below AND Amend the activity specific conditions in Rule 14.3.1.1(1) as follows: The realignment, configuration, relocation or replacement of infrastructure and associated structures that meet all of the	Accept in part	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure

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			following conditions: (a) Are within <del>100m</del> <u>5m</u> of the existing alignment or location; (b) Do not increase the height of any existing pole or support structure by more than <del>50%</del> <u>+5%</u> ; (c) Do not increase the diameter (width) of any existing pole or support structure by more than <del>50%</del> <u>+5%</u> ; (d) Do not increase the diameter of any existing above-ground pipe by more than 15%; and (e) Do not increase the area of any existing above-ground structure by more than 15%. AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.		
FS1134.47	Counties Power Limited	Support		Accept in part	
FS1176.169	Watercare Services Ltd	Support		Accept in part	
580.5			Amend the activity-specific conditions in Rule 14.6.1.2(a)(ii) for research and exploratory-scale investigations for renewable electricity generation activities, as follows: (ii) The height of any equipment must not exceed <del>80m</del> <u>the building height limit of the zone in which they are located by more than 3m</u> ; AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
580.6			Retain the discretionary activity status for large scale wind farms within the Rural Zone in Rule 14.6.3(D1) Discretionary Activities.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure

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580.7			Add reference to NZ 6808:2010 as the Accepted Industry-specific Standard applicable for the measurement of noise for large-scale wind farms. AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
580.8			Amend the activity specific conditions of Rule 14.8.1.1(a)(ii) for Meteorological enclosures and buildings, including automatic weather stations, as follows: (ii) <u>Meteorological measurement masts must not exceed 80 metres in height and all other structures must comply</u> <del>The structure complies</del> with any relevant building height condition for the applicable zone; AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
580.9			Amend the activity-specific conditions of Rule 14.8.1.2(a)(i) for Meteorological and air quality monitoring structures and devices, as follows: (i) Do not exceed <del>80m+2m</del> in height;... AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
580.10			Add a new clause (x) into Rule 22.3.7.2PI (a) Building setback sensitive land use, as follows: <del>(x) the distance necessary to ensure wind turbine noise from any authorised or lawfully established large-scale wind farm does not exceed 40 dBA measured at the sensitive land use in accordance with NZS6808:2010.</del> AND Amend the Proposed	Reject	Decision Report 22: Rural Zone

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			District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.		
580.11			Add to Rule 22.3.7.4 P1 Building - Noise Sensitive Activities a new clause (b), as follows: <u>(b) Construction of, or addition, or alteration to a building containing a noise-sensitive activity is permitted provided the building is set back from any authorised or lawfully established large-scale wind farm by a distance necessary to ensure wind turbine noise does not exceed 40 dBA measured at the noise-sensitive activity in accordance with NZS6808:2010.</u> AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 22: Rural Zone
580.12			Amend Objective 3.2.1 Significant Natural Areas as follows: (a) Indigenous biodiversity in Significant Natural Areas is protected. <del>and enhanced.</del> AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 9: Significant Natural Areas
FS1350.3	Transpower New Zealand Limited	Support		Reject	
FS1308.81	The Surveying Company	Oppose		Accept	
FS1330.43	Middlemiss Farm Holdings Limited	Oppose		Accept	
FS1345.49	Genesis Energy Limited	Support		Reject	

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FS1342.144	Federated Farmers	Support		Reject	
FS1377.149	Havelock Village Limited	Support		Reject	
580.13			Retain Policy 3.2.3 Management Hierarchy, except for the amendments sought below AND Amend Policy 3.2.3(a)(iv) Management Hierarchy as follows: (iv) after remediation or mitigation has been undertaken, provide for managing residual effects by means of <u>environmental compensation or biodiversity offsets</u> in accordance with Policy 3.2.4. AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Accept in Part	Decision Report 9: Significant Natural Areas
FS1330.44	Middlemiss Farm Holdings Limited	Support		Accept in Part	
FS1345.50	Genesis Energy Limited	Support		Accept in Part	
580.14			Retain Objective 6.1.6 Reverse Sensitivity.	Accept in part	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1176.170	Watercare Services Ltd	Support		Accept in part	
FS1223.105	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Accept in part	
580.15			Retain Policy 6.1.7 Reverse sensitivity and infrastructure.	Accept in part	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure

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FS1176.171	Watercare Services Ltd	Support		Accept in part	
FS1223.106	Mercury NZ Limited	Oppose		Accept in part	
580.16			Retain Objective 6.3.1 Renewable Energy, except for the amendments sought below AND Amend Objective 6.3.1 Renewable Energy as follows: (a) Energy efficient design and an increase in renewable electricity generation. <del>activities are promoted.</del> OR Add a new objective for renewable energy as follows: <u>Increased electricity, generation from renewable sources.</u> AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1223.107	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Accept	
580.17			Retain Policy 6.3.3 Enabling renewable electricity generation.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1223.108	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Accept	
580.18			Retain Policy 6.3.4 Future renewable electricity.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1223.109	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Accept	

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580.19			Retain Policy 6.3.5 Existing renewable electricity facilities.	Accept in part	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
<i>FS1223.110</i>	<i>Mercury NZ Limited</i>	Support		Accept in part	
580.20			Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in submission.	Reject	Decision Report 32: Miscellaneous Matters
580.21			Retain Policy 3.2.4 Biodiversity Offsetting, except for the amendments sought below AND Amend Policy 3.2.4(a) Biodiversity Offsetting to provide for environmental compensation as follows: (a) Allow for a biodiversity offset <u>or environmental compensation</u> to be offered by a resource consent applicant where an activity will result in significant residual adverse effects on a Significant Natural Area, or on indigenous biodiversity outside such Significant Natural Areas. AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 9: Significant Natural Areas
<i>FS1198.15</i>	<i>Bathurst Resources Limited and BT Mining Limited</i>	Support		Reject	
<i>FS1292.27</i>	<i>McPherson Resources Limited</i>	Support		Reject	



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FS1330.45	Middlemiss Farm Holdings Limited	Support		Reject	
FS1334.26	Fulton Hogan Limited	Support		Reject	
FS1223.111	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Reject	
FS1342.145	Federated Farmers	Support		Reject	
FS1377.150	Havelock Village Limited	Support		Reject	
580.22			Retain Policy 3.3.2 Recognising values and qualities.	Accept in part	Decision Report 10: Landscapes
580.23			Retain Policy 3.3.3 Protection from inappropriate subdivision, use and development, except for the amendment sought below AND Amend Policy 3.3.3(a)(i) Protection from inappropriate subdivision, use and development as follows: (i) requiring buildings and structures to be integrated into the Outstanding Natural Landscape or feature <u>to the extent reasonably practicable</u> to minimise any visual impacts. AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Reject	Decision Report 10: Landscapes
FS1223.112	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Reject	
FS1342.146	Federated Farmers	Support		Reject	

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580.24			Retain Policy 6.1.2 Development, operation and maintenance, except for the amendments sought below AND Amend Policy 6.1.2(a)(iii) to reference "site" as plural as follows: (iii) Locational constraints related to the need to access suitable resources or sites; AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1134.6	Counties Power Limited	Support		Accept	
FS1176.172	Watercare Services Ltd	Support		Accept	
580.25			Retain Policy 6.1.4 Infrastructure Benefits, except for the amendments sought below AND Add a new clause (b) to Policy 6.1.4 Infrastructure Benefits as follows: (b) <u>Have particular regard to the benefits that the use and development of renewable energy provides.</u> AND Amend the Proposed District Plan as necessary to address the matters raised in the submission.	Accept	Decision Report 13: Infrastructure
FS1134.14	Counties Power Limited	Support		Accept	
FS1266.11	WEL Networks Limited	Support		Accept	
FS1176.173	Watercare Services Ltd	Support		Accept	
FS1223.113	Mercury NZ Limited	Support		Accept	

