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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER OF DESIGNATION

- 1. We act for Channel Infrastructure NZ Limited ("CHI"), formerly The New Zealand Refining Company Limited.¹
- 2. We also act for Channel Terminal Services Limited ("CTS"), a wholly owned subsidiary of CHI.

Summary

- 3. We write to advise of the transfer of responsibility for the following designations to CTS, effective 1 June 2022:
 - a. In the Whangarei District Plan: RNZ-1.
 - b. In the Kaipara District Plan: D63.
 - c. In the Auckland Unitary Plan: 6500 and 6501.

¹ The New Zealand Refining Company Limited, trading as Refining NZ, changed its name to Channel Infrastructure NZ Limited on 1 April 2022.

Background and explanation

- 4. CHI recently undertook a comprehensive strategic review of its operations, including a corporate restructure. This review led to the cessation of refinery operations at Marsden Point and the transition of the site to a dedicated fuel import terminal. As part of the transition and restructure, CHI is transferring certain assets, including the Marsden Point to Auckland Pipeline (the "Pipeline"), to CTS.
- 5. CHI is currently responsible for designations in respect of the Pipeline in the Whangarei and Kaipara District Plans and the Auckland Unitary Plan.²
- 6. On 30 May 2022 a gazette notice was published in the New Zealand Gazette confirming the approval of CTS as a requiring authority.³
- We now write to advise you that CHI transfers the responsibility for the designations listed in paragraph 3 above to CTS, in accordance with section 180 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA"). The transfer will be effective 1 June 2022.
- 8. As required by section 180 and 175 of the RMA, please note the transfer of responsibility for the designation(s) in your respective district plan.
- 9. In updating the designation(s), we refer to the mandatory directions in the National Planning Standards, as they relate to designations.⁴
- 10. As required by section 180 of the RMA, we also hereby advise the Minister for the Environment of the transfer of responsibility for the designations to CTS.
- 11. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Yours faithfully ChanceryGreen

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² Designation reference RNZ-1 in the Whangarei District Plan, D63 in the Kaipara District Plan; 6500 and 6501 in the Auckland Unitary Plan.

³ New Zealand Gazette, notice number 2022-go2073.

⁴ Refer in particular to the Designations Standard of the National Planning Standards.