

IN THE WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

WAI 1750

WAI 1827

WAI 1781

IN THE MATTER of the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

AND

IN THE MATTER of claims in the North-Eastern Bay of Plenty Historical

Inquiry (Wai 1750)

AND a claim made by Rachel Maunganui Wolfgramm and

Tania Haerekitera Wolfgramm, on behalf of the

descendants of Rangihaerepō (Wai 1827)

AND a claim by Tracy Hillier and Rita Wordsworth on behalf

of themselves and the hapū of Ngai Tamahaua (Wai

1781)

MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL SEEKING EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SUBMISSIONS ON THE PRE-CASEBOOK DISCUSSION PAPER

Dated 30 March 2020

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- 1. This Memorandum of Counsel is filed on behalf of the above named claimants.
- 2. This Memorandum is filed in response to the Memorandum-Directions #2.5.10, dated 4 March 2020, where the Presiding Officer appended for review the pre-casebook research discussion paper. The Presiding Officer invited parties to file any submissions in response by no later than **midday**, **Friday 3 April 2020.**
- Due to the substantial disruption to working conditions caused by the current Covid-19 Lockdown, counsel respectfully seeks further time to review and consider the discussion paper and seek instructions from claimants who are also impacted.
- Counsel is also cognisant that the Easter break is due to occur on 10-14 April 2020 which further impacts counsel and the claimants' ability to meaningfully engage with the discussion paper.
- Counsel therefore seeks an extension of time to 30 April 2020 to provide a response to the Tribunal.
- 6. It is noted that other than the proposed filing of the Raupatu scoping report, there are no other major milestones scheduled in April or May and therefore it is submitted the Tribunal and parties will not be prejudiced by the extension sought.

Dated at Auckland this 30 March 2020

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