

TE RŌPŪ WHAKAMANA I TE TIRITI O WAITANGI

Wai 3327

E PĀ ANA KI
CONCERNING

te Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

Ā,Te Reo i te Kāwanatanga Ruku
Tātari Ohotata / Te Reo in the
Public Sector Urgent Inquiry

HE PĀNUI WHAKAHĀU O TE TUMUAKI PAKIREHUA15 Māehe 2024

Interested Party Request

1. On Friday 8 March the Tribunal received a memorandum of counsel on behalf of Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated (Te Whakakitenga) seeking leave to participate in the Wai 3327 inquiry as an interested party (Wai 3327, #3.1.1).
2. Te Whakakitenga is the representative tribal authority for Waikato Tainui iwi and has a direct relationship with the Crown as treaty partner. Te Whakakitenga submit that members of Waikato-Tainui will be adversely affected by the Crown's intended actions, and that the members, marae, hapū and iwi of Waikato-Tainui have an interest in the Wai 3327 inquiry that is apart from any interest in common with the public.
3. Te Whakakitenga on behalf of the members marae, hapū and iwi of Waikato-Tainui seek leave to participate solely in a watching brief capacity and does not intend to file evidence or make submissions.
4. Te Whakakitenga note, however, the references to the proceeding it has initiated in the High Court in the memoranda in relation to the urgency by the Crown and claimants, and submits it can provide clarity to the Tribunal on the matter of this application to the extent that it is required. Should this occur, Te Whakakitenga shall seek further leave at that time to expand the nature of its participation.

Submissions

5. In memorandum directions dated 12 March 2024, I directed any submissions in opposition of this interested party request to be filed by 5pm, Wednesday 13 March.
6. The Tribunal did not receive any submissions in response to this direction.

Decision:

7. I am satisfied that Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated meet the requirements set out in section 4A of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908 as having an interest in these proceedings apart from any interest in common with the public.
8. The request for interested party status is granted.

Me tuku atu te Kairēhita i tētehi kape o tēnei whakahau ki ērā ki te rārangi whakamōhio mō Wai 3327 Te Reo i te Kāwanatanga Ruku Tātari Ohotata.

The Registrar is to send a copy of this direction to all those on the distribution list for Wai 3327 Te Reo in the Public Sector Urgent Inquiry.

WHAKAPŪMAUTIA ki Tāmaki Makaurau i te 15 o te Māehe i te tau 2024.



Kaiwhakawā Te Kani Williams
Tumuaki Pakirehua

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