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Barry Peihopa  
18 Compass Place,  
Te Atatu North  
Auckland  
31.8.95.

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Tena Koutou,

Please find enclosed an application from:  
Pari Peihopa  
18 Compass Place,  
Te Atatu North,  
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On behalf of the hapu Ngai Tai ki Ngapuhi. I had written for the prepared form but it did not arrive in time. I hope there is sufficient here to lodge a claim.

Ko Pari Peihopa taku ingoa, ko au he mokopuna no Iri Uenuku. Uenuku Pa site is now the site of the Mt. Hikurangi transmitter. Our maunga has been totally alienated in ownership by Crown and cunning from us, despite promise of return, we are utterly passed over.

Mt Hikurangi is the mana for the Marae of Kaikou. it is for us the highest ki te Atua, me te hekenga mai ki ta matou hapu ko Ngai tai ki Ngapuhi.

Mt. Hikurangi is the point in Tai Tokerau which sees the setting of the sun, just as Mt. Hikurangi in Ngati Porou is the first. Papatipu records give nos. for Eparaima as C5A. we have searched through 1884- 60 for records for Mt. Hikurangi but have only found the following (Southern side) nos.  
Pt. 1DP35769

552-5127 to our maunga.

I believe we have been alienated from our ancestral sacred maunga; as well as to our tuaha, the Pa of Uenuku, my korero to elders has uncovered the fact that negotiation for the maunga by 'owners' (Lovatts) was not done with consultation, with the actual rangatira of those times. Our complaint by the Tiriti is that our rangatiratanga was removed.

It was removed decisively through the erection of a transmitter on the top. There was no consultation. The Crown deliberately acted unilaterally.

Kia ora,  
P. Peihopa.