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Hearings Commissioners  
Proposed Far North District Plan

By Email

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**Submitter 282 - Chorus New Zealand Limited (Chorus), Spark New Zealand Trading Limited (Spark), One New Zealand Limited (One NZ), Connexa Limited (Connexa) and Fortysouth Group LP (Fortysouth)**

### **Hearing Topic 12 Historic Heritage and Notable Trees**

We act for Chorus, Spark, One NZ, Connexa and Fortysouth (the Telecommunications Companies) who lodged submissions on the Historic Heritage rules and the definition of *Rootzone Area*.

In each case the s42A recommendation is to accept the submission in part, with a different drafting solution to that included in the joint submission. These recommendations are all satisfactory outcomes for the Telecommunications Companies, and as such they wish to record their support for these recommendations. The Telecommunications Companies have elected not to attend the hearing for these topics as there are no outstanding matters in contention with the Council reporting planner.

The relevant s42A recommendations are follows:

#### **Historic Heritage**

- Submission 282.01, Rule HA-R10<sup>1</sup>: recommendation is to amend Rules HA-R10 and HA-R6 to provide two pathways for infrastructure activities. A permitted route (in regard to the heritage rules) for sites that do not contain a scheduled heritage resource (subject to standards) and a discretionary activity path for ones that do.
- Submission 282.011, Rule HH-R6<sup>2</sup>: recommended changes to rules that provide for network customer connections to scheduled buildings as a permitted activity.

#### **Notable Trees**

- Submission 282.001, Definition of *Rootzone Area*<sup>3</sup>: alternative definition to that sought by Telecommunications Companies, based on technical advice received by the reporting planner.

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<sup>1</sup> Para 316-317 Historic Heritage s42A report

<sup>2</sup> Para 369 s42A Historic Heritage s42A report

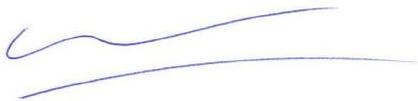
<sup>3</sup> Para 48 s42A Notable Trees s42A report

Amending the provisions outlined above in accordance with the s42A recommendations is supported by the Telecommunications Companies.

Can you please table this letter of support for the recommendations with the Hearing Commissioners.

Yours sincerely

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