

Rosie Jansen

From: Stuart Grant
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 3:06 p.m.
To: Karma McFarlane
Subject: Re: Water consent reply

Thanks Karma

That is what I would have provided. Thanks for checking the companies register.
Cheers
Stu

Stuart Grant

On 5/06/2019, at 13:31, Karma McFarlane <Karmx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.x> wrote:

Hi Stu

I realise you are out of the office and unfortunately had to send a reply to Councillors before I could check in with you.

I have used some information from the email you were sent from the company (Heretaunga Water/International Springs). I received advice from Andrea that I could share this but to put a disclaimer that it is commercially sensitive and to not share with the public.

The email I sent out to the Councillors and Andrea's advice is below.

Thanks

Karma

From: Liezel Jahnke
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 12:46 p.m.
To: Karma McFarlane
Cc: Andrea Hilton
Subject: Re: Water consent reply

OK thanks, yes to send to Crs and to ELT as will likely come up in Policy tonight.

Kind regards

Liezel Jahnke
Business Improvement Manager | Asset Management and Operations
Upper Hutt City Council

On 5/06/2019, at 10:58 AM, Karma McFarlane <Karmx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.x> wrote:

If you are happy I will send the draft approved by Andrea below.

I will also send Stu an email to let him know I have shared the information sent to him with Councillors.

From: Andrea Hilton
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 10:55 a.m.
To: Karma McFarlane; Liezel Jahnke
Cc: Geoff Swainson; Richard Harbord
Subject: RE: Water consent reply

Great

Regards

Andrea Hilton

From: Karma McFarlane <xxxxx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxvt.nz>
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 10:53 AM
To: Andrea Hilton <Andrea.Hilton@uhcc.govt.nz>; Liezel Jahnke <Liezel.Jahnke@xxxx.xxxx.nz>
Cc: Geoff Swainson <xxxxx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.nz>; Richard Harbord <Richard.Harbord@uhcc.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: Water consent reply

How about the below? Any issues with this or anything else to include?

Thanks!

Hi Angela,

Unfortunately Upper Hutt City Council has no jurisdiction to grant a resource consent for water rights, therefore the consent has been granted by Greater Wellington Regional Council to take and use water from an existing bore. The Council is excluded from contributing to a decision by GWRC to grant a resource consent unless GWRC decides it is necessary to limited notify the Council or it is necessary to notify the consent application to the public. This application was not notified.

Please note the following information may have some commercial sensitivity and as such should not be shared with the public.

My understanding is that initially the company intend to extract water under the consent and ship in bulk overseas for bottling at the point of intended distribution and at some point they will be looking to have in place a bottling facility at Refreshment Place. The consent is due to expire 13 Feb 2023 (which they're allowed to renew). The applicant has applied to take up to 576m³/day at a maximum pumping rate of 10 litres/second (for 16 hours/day), six days per week (Monday to Saturday), 52 weeks per year. This equates to an annual volume of 179,712m³/year. On the MBIE website under 'Entity Type' the company is listed as a 'NZ limited company'.

Thanks,

Karma

From: Andrea Hilton
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 10:28 a.m.
To: Liezel Jahnke
Cc: Karma McFarlane; Geoff Swainson; Richard Harbord
Subject: RE: Water consent reply

Hi Liezel

This is fine to share with Crs however Stu's role relies heavily on a good relationship with businesses in UH so in his absence I think we should include a note that the information could have some commercial sensitivity so it should be kept confidential and not circulated to the public. Basically the Crs are entitled to know any information known by officers. There are a few exceptions e.g. perhaps some personnel information, whistle blowing information etc.

I also wonder whether we should reinforce that UHCC's standing in regards to consents issued by GWRC is the same as any member of the public and as a result it cannot influence the granting of a consent to draw water? I've added some words below. Geoff thinks that the consent is likely to have included limits to the volume and time. If this information is available it would be useful to the Crs to include this also.

Geoff is waiting for GWRC to call him back about this consent, have you or Karma spoken to GWRC?

Hi Angela,

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Thanks,

Karma

Regards

Andrea Hilton

From: Liezel Jahnke <Liezel.xxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.xx >
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 9:18 AM
To: Karma McFarlane <xxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.xx >
Cc: Andrea Hilton <Andrea.Hilton@uhcc.govt.nz>
Subject: Re: Water consent reply

Thanks, looks ok to me, Andrea can you comment if we are OK to share this with Crs?

Kind regards

Liezel Jahnke
Business Improvement Manager | Asset Management and Operations
Upper Hutt City Council

On 5/06/2019, at 9:15 AM, Karma McFarlane
<Karmx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.xx> wrote:

Let me know what you think of this reply. It doesn't look like Stu is in the office today. I looked up the company on MBIE and it actually appears to be NZ registered. I have taken the bottom part from the email the company sent to Stu. Let me know if we cannot share this information

Thanks

Hi Angela,

The consent has been granted by Greater Wellington Regional Council to take and use water from an existing bore. On the MBIE website under 'Entity Type' the company is listed as a 'NZ limited company'.

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Thanks,

Karma

From: Karma McFarlane
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 8:40 a.m.
To: Liezel Jahnke
Subject: RE: working from home today

Will do.

Looking through the information I do have I am not actually sure they definitely are an overseas company (we never have said they are just that they have a consent to take water).

Will see what Stu knows.

From: Liezel Jahnke
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 8:13 a.m.
To: Karma McFarlane
Subject: Re: working from home today

[REDACTED]

Please check with Stu, though I don't know if we can find this out for sure and if that's the case just need to tell Crs that, ultimately the regional council has issued the water consent.

And please copy in myself, Peter and Vibhuti to your reply.

Kind regards

Liezel Jahnke
Business Improvement Manager | Asset Management and
Operations
Upper Hutt City Council

On 5/06/2019, at 8:02 AM, Karma McFarlane
<Karmx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.x> wrote:

Hi Liezel

[REDACTED]

Please see the email from Councillor McLeod below. I am unsure where the company is based, I know it is overseas but not sure it is Chinese. I will check this with Stu before replying. I will cc you into the response. Should I also cc Peter and Vibhuti?

Karma

From: Angela McLeod
[<mailto:crangelamcleod@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2019 5:52 a.m.
To: Karma McFarlane
Cc: Cr Blair Griffiths; Cr Chris Carson; Cr Dave Wheeler; Cr Glenn McArthur; Cr Hellen Swales; Cr John Gwilliam; Cr Paul Lambert; Cr Ros Connelly; Cr Taylor; Wayne Guppy; Kate Glanville
Subject: Re: Memo to Councillors on Commercial Bottling of Water

Many thanks Karma,

The situation at Refreshment Place is most unfortunate regarding the consent to take water from the aquifer.

Do we know for sure that the former Coca-cola and Unipackaging premises has been bought by a Chinese company and that they intend to bottle and export the water from the bore?

Ngā mihi

Angela

Angela McLeod
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On Tue, 4 Jun 2019, 16:08 Karma McFarlane,
<Karmx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxx.x> wrote:

Kia ora,

Please find attached a memo on commercial bottling of water and the Water Bylaw. This was tabled and discussed at the mayoral luncheon on Friday.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks

Karma

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