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Attention: Whangarei District Council's Consents Department

Dear Hearing Commissioner,

Ministry of Education – letter to be tabled at SL2100046 Hurupaki Holdings Hearing

The Ministry of Education (the Ministry) lodged a submission on Hurupaki Holding's publicly notified subdivision consent and bulk earthworks resource consent. The Ministry is neutral on the application and through the submission sought to bring attention to the potential effects the application could cause on Hurupaki School located close to the subject site.

Through discussions with the Ministry, the applicant (Hurupaki Holdings) has agreed to accept the consent conditions outlined in the Ministry's submission and detailed in Appendix A to this letter. If the Commissioner is mindful to grant the application, we would like to bring attention to the attached conditions, as we consider that these adequately mitigate potential effects on Hurupaki School.

We have read the applicant's planning evidence prepared by Melissa McGrath and note that she has set out her support for the inclusion of the agreed consent conditions with the Ministry in paragraphs 10.15 and 10.21. These conditions were also reflected in the amened draft consent conditions circulated to all submitters on the 7 April 2022.

The Ministry did notify the Processing Planner on the 15 March 2022 outlining the consent conditions agreed with the applicant. Council's S42A Report prepared by Alan Withy does not appear to have noted the agreed conditions and therefore, the Ministry seek to table this letter to reiterate that the Ministry supports the inclusion of the consent conditions outlined in Appendix A. In addition, the Ministry considers that if the conditions are adopted as set out in Appendix A we consider that the Ministry's submission points are adequately resolved, and the Ministry will not attend the hearing.

Please contact the undersigned on behalf of the Ministry if you have any questions or require further clarification.

Kind Regards,

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Appendix A: Agreed consent conditions between the Ministry and Hurupaki Holdings

The Ministry's submission outlined pedestrian safety concerns for students and staff from construction traffic. The Ministry is concerned about large heavy vehicles transporting bulk earthworks off-site at peak school pick-up and drop-off times when students are more likely to cross Three Miles Bush Road into Hurupaki School, which is located 300m down the road from the site. Hurupaki Holdings has agreed to accept the proposed consent condition outlined in the Ministry's submission:

- 1.) "A Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) will be implemented. The CTMP will include the following provisions:
 - a. Heavy construction vehicles will avoid travelling along Three Miles Bush Road during school pick-up and drop-off times (between 8-9am and 3-4pm) during term time.
 - b. Details of how truck drivers will be briefed on the importance of slowing down and adhering to established speed limits when driving past Hurupaki School, and to look out for school children and reversing vehicles at all times.
 - c. The contact details of the Site Manager will be provided to Hurupaki School prior to the commencement of any earthworks to allow the school to raise any safety concerns with the site manager for the duration of the activity."

The Applicant has stated dust generation will be managed through best practices. The Ministry requested more details around dust management to ensure any effects on Hurupaki School will be mitigated. Hurupaki Holdings has agreed to accept the Ministry's proposed consent condition outlined in the Ministry's submission:

2.) "A Construction Management Plan will be implemented which will provide details of how dust generation will be managed onsite to mitigate any effects on Hurupaki School."