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Coastal Permit
Pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991
a resource consent is hereby granted by the
Taranaki Regional Council

Name of
Consent Holder: South Taranaki District Council
Private Bag 902
HAWERA 4640



Change To
Conditions Date: 20 December 2007 [Granted: 22 March 1998]

Conditions of Consent



Consent Granted: To discharge up to 12,000 cubic metres/day [seven day average discharge] of treated municipal wastes generated in the Hawera and Eltham townships, including treated meat processing and dairy industry wastes, through a combined marine outfall into the Tasman Sea near Hawera at or about 2620700E-6173300N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2015

Review Date(s): June 2010

Site Location: Rifle Range Road, Hawera

Legal Description: Pt Lot 13 DP 2625 and Foreshore Blks IX & X Hawera SD

Catchment: Tasman Sea

*For General, Standard and Special conditions
pertaining to this consent please see reverse side of this document*

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General conditions

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
 - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
 - ii) charges authorised by regulations.



Special conditions

1. The consent holder shall properly and efficiently maintain and operate the oxidation ponds system, with aerobic ponds maintained in an aerobic condition.
2. For 90% of the time the dissolved oxygen level in the aerobic ponds, and in the wastewater immediately prior to discharge, shall be maintained at a level at or exceeding 2 gm^{-3} and that the consent holder shall monitor the dissolved oxygen levels in the aerobic ponds, on a continuous basis, and supply the results to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, upon request.
3. The discharge authorised by this consent shall not give rise to any of the following effects in the Tasman Sea beyond a mixing zone of 200 metres from the centre line of the outfall diffuser:
 - a) the production of conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams or floatable or suspended materials;
 - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
 - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
 - d) any significant effects on aquatic life.
4. The discharge shall not result in the guideline for shellfish-gathering waters, as specified in the document 'Provisional Microbiological Water Quality Guidelines for Recreational and Shellfish-Gathering Waters in New Zealand' [Department of Health 1992], being exceeded at the shoreline.
5. The consent holder shall monitor the volume of wastewater discharged on a continuous basis and shall supply this information to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, upon request.

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6. The consent holder shall undertake to advise and consult with the Taranaki Regional Council if trade wastes are accepted into the consent holder's wastewater system, for which it may be appropriate or necessary to place limits on the concentrations in the final discharge of any toxic or hazardous contaminants which may be contained in that trade waste. If such limits are considered necessary, the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, shall require a review of the consent conditions in accordance with s128 of the Resource Management Act 1991.
7. The consent holder shall manage the discharge so as to ensure compliance with special condition 3.
8. Within three months of the granting of this consent, the consent holder shall provide to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, a contingency plan outlining measures and procedures undertaken to prevent spillage or accidental discharge of contaminants in the event of plant, including the wastewater pipeline and pumping system, breakdown or maintenance and measures to avoid, remedy or mitigate the environmental effects of such a spillage or discharge. The consent holder shall annually review and maintain the plan.
9. The consent holder shall supply to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, an annual report on its waste treatment system, including the performance of the outfall and compliance with the consent; such report to be provided by 31 August each year.
10. The consent holder shall supply to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, a report reviewing the best practicable option for treatment and disposal of wastewater generated at Hawera and Eltham, including the option of disposal to land, such report to be provided by 31 December 2009.
11. The consent holder shall, substantially in accordance with information submitted in support of application 2541, including the Eltham Sewage Disposal Project Schedule:
 - a) Reduce stormwater infiltration to the Hawera wastewater system;
 - b) Upgrade the Eltham wastewater treatment plant;
 - c) Upgrade the Hawera wastewater treatment plant; and
 - d) Construct a pipeline for the transfer of municipal sewage waste from Eltham to Hawera.

Once the above works are complete, the consent holder shall discharge all Eltham wastewater, via the pipeline, to the Hawera wastewater treatment plant. The works shall be completed, and the discharge shall commence, by 31 July 2009.

12. The consent holder shall provide reports on implementation of condition 11 [including progress on the Eltham Sewage Disposal Project Schedule, and detailing changes to the schedule] to the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, by 31 March, 30 June, 30 September, and 15 December of each year until implementation is complete.

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13. The consent holder and staff of the Taranaki Regional Council shall meet as appropriate and at least once per year, with representatives of Ngati Ruanui Iwi Authority, Inuawai/Okahu hapu and Kanihi/Umutahi hapu, other submitters to the consent, and any other interested party, at the discretion of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, to discuss any matter relating to the exercise of this resource consent, in order to facilitate ongoing consultation.
14. The consent holder shall ensure that a monitoring programme is established to record and analyse effects of the exercise of this consent on the intertidal reefs and coastal water quality adjacent to the discharge to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.
15. The scope and detail of the monitoring programme established in special condition 14 shall be developed in consultation with submitters to applications 96/302 and 2541 in relation to this consent.
16. The consent holder shall install a screen prior to the influent reaching the southern aerobic oxidation pond for the purpose of preventing the discharge of undisintegrated solids into and from the oxidation pond.
17. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent within six months of receiving a report prepared by the consent holder pursuant to condition 10 of this consent, or by giving notice of review during the month of June 2010, for the purposes of:
 - a) dealing with any significant adverse effect on the environment arising from the exercise of the consent which was not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time; and/or
 - b) requiring the consent holder to adopt the best practicable option for treatment and disposal of wastewater generated in Hawera and Eltham.

In determining, whether such a review is undertaken, the Regional Council will take into account the views expressed by Ngati Ruanui Tahua Iwi Authority Inc., Inuawai/Okahu Hapu and Kanihi/Umutahi Hapu, and the consent holder.

Signed at Stratford on 20 December 2007

For and on behalf of
Taranaki Regional Council


Director, Resource Management