

## Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: CLENT HILLS

Lease number: PC 076

# **Preliminary Proposal**

A Preliminary Proposal is advertised for public submissions as per Section 43 of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998.

The report attached is released under the Official Information Act 1982.

# PROPOSAL FOR REVIEW OF CROWN LAND Under Part 2 of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998

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### **Parties**

Holder: Clent Hills Holdings Limited

C/- Philip C Todhunter Lake Heron Station

RD1

Ashburton 8300

### **Commissioner of Crown Lands:**

C/- Opus International Consultants Limited

P O Box 1482 Christchurch 8140

Attention: Mike Todd

### The Land

Lease: Clent Hills

**Legal Description:** Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9 of SO 359852

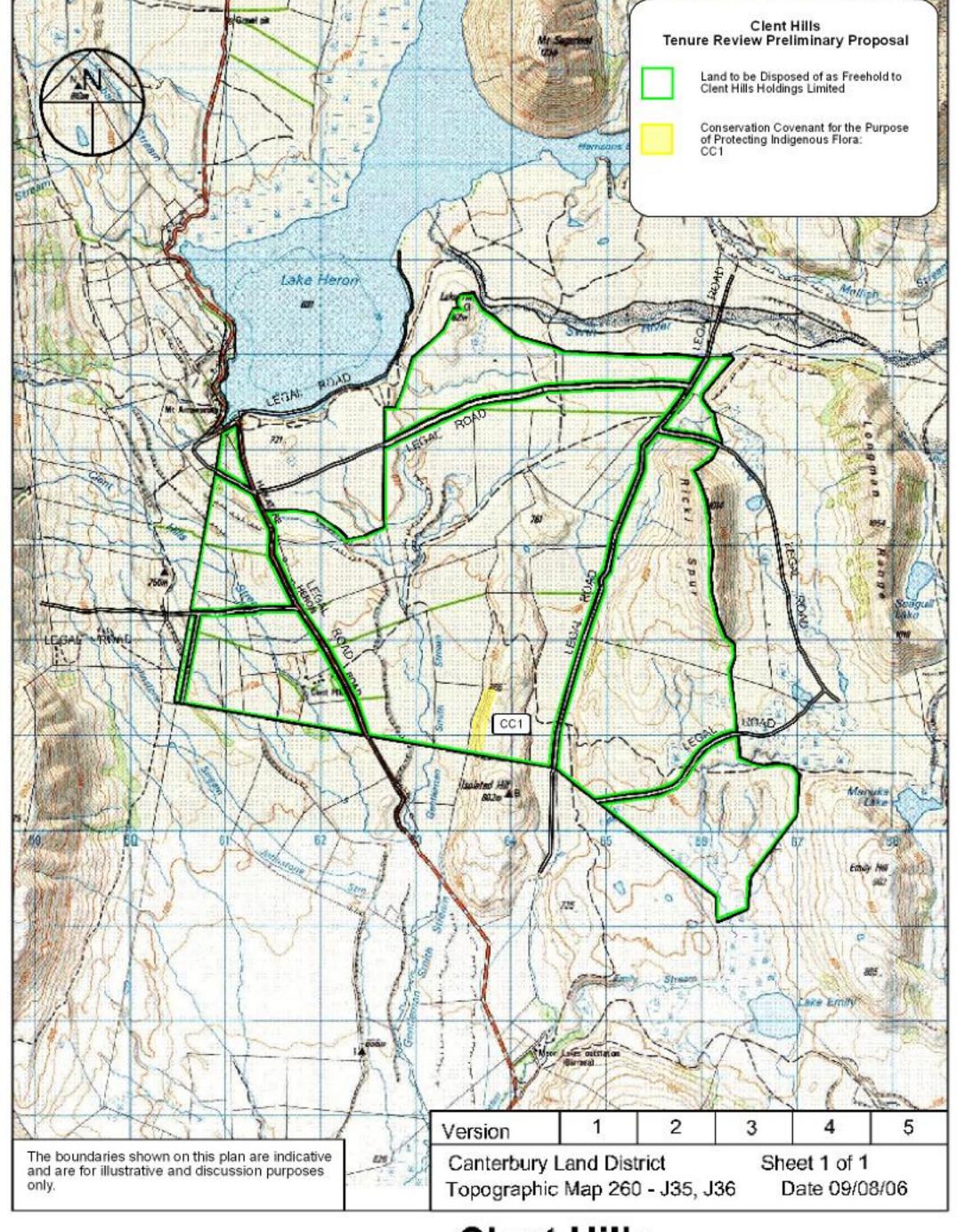
**Area:** 2182.8500 hectares

Certificate of Title/Unique Identifier: CB 529/89 (Canterbury Registry)

### **Summary of Designations**

Under this Proposal, the Land is designated as follows:

(a) The Freehold Land (shown marked in green on the Plan) is to be disposed by freehold disposal to the Holder as set out in Schedule Three.



# Clent Hills

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### 2 Conditions

2.1 This Proposal, and any agreement arising therefrom, is subject to the conditions contained in Schedule Four (if any).

### 3 Settlement

- 3.1 Unless otherwise agreed by the parties, the Settlement Date for the disposal of the Freehold Land to the Holder by freehold disposal will be the day that is TEN (10) working days following the day on which Land Information New Zealand notifies the Commissioner that the Final Plan and a copy of this Proposal are registered in accordance with the Act.
- 3.2 The Freehold Land will be disposed of to the Holder under the Land Act 1948.

### 4 Holder's Payment

- 4.1 By 3.00 p.m. on the Settlement Date, the Holder must pay the Holder's Payment and all other money payable to the Commissioner or the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner by bank cheque without set-off or deduction of any kind in accordance with the settlement requirements of the Commissioner.
- 4.2 If the Holder fails to pay the Holder's Payment or any part of it or any other money to the Commissioner or to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner on the Settlement Date clause 19 will apply.

### 5 Commissioner's Payment

- 5.1 The Commissioner shall pay the Commissioner's Payment to the Holder on the Settlement Date.
- 5.2 No interest shall be payable to the Holder by the Commissioner in respect of the Commissioner's Payment, including (without limitation) for the period from the Vesting Date to the Settlement Date.

### 6 Vesting of Crown Land

6.1 The Crown Land will vest in the Crown on the Vesting Date.

### 7 Issue of Certificate of Title

- 7.1 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Proposal, the Commissioner will not request that the Surveyor-General issue a certificate to the Registrar pursuant to section 116 of the Land Act 1948 (to enable a certificate of title to issue for the Freehold Land) unless and until:
  - (a) the Commissioner has received the Holder's Payment from the Holder under clause 4, and all other money payable by the Holder under this Proposal and the Notice;
  - (b) the Holder has provided to the Commissioner duplicate copies of the certificate of title relating to the Lease (if any) and/or the Lease if requested by the Commissioner;
  - (c) the Holder has signed and returned to the Commissioner all documents required by the Commissioner to be signed by the Holder to give effect to this Proposal (including, without limitation, any permit, covenant, easement and/or any other document); and
  - (d) the Holder has procured a registrable discharge of any Mortgage and provided this to the Commissioner together with any new mortgage documents to be registered against the Freehold Land.

### 8 Registration of Documents

8.1 Subject to clause 7, the Commissioner will lodge all documents necessary to give effect to this Proposal (including, without limitation any easement, covenant, discharge of mortgage, and/or duplicate copy of the Lease) and any new mortgage documents to be registered against the

certificate of title to be issued for the Freehold Land so that the certificate of title for the Freehold Land will issue subject to the encumbrances provided in this Proposal. Any new mortgage will be registered after any other encumbrances such as any easements and/or covenants are registered.

### 9 Consents

- 9.1 The Holder must obtain the written consent to the Holder's acceptance of this Proposal from all persons having an interest in the Land (other than the Holder), including, but not limited to:
  - (a) any Mortgagee(s);
  - (b) any party entitled to the benefit of a land improvement agreement registered against the Lease and/or the Land; and
  - (c) any other person that the Commissioner reasonably believes has an interest in the Land or who the Holder reasonably believes has an interest in the Land, whether registered or not.
- 9.2 The consents required under clause 9.1 must be in a form acceptable to the Commissioner in all respects and be returned to the Commissioner with this Proposal on its acceptance by the Holder. Examples of the form of consents required under clause 9.1 are set out in Appendix 1.
- 9.3 The Holder must also obtain, and provide to the Commissioner if requested, all consents necessary for the Holder to accept this Proposal including (without limitation) any:
  - (a) corporate and/or trustee consents; and
  - (b) consent required under the Overseas Investment Act 2005 and the Overseas Investment Regulations 2005.
- 9.4 The Holder will procure the Mortgagee to execute a registrable discharge of the Mortgage and, if required by the Mortgagee, the Holder will execute registrable new mortgage documents and forward these to the Commissioner to be registered as set out in clause 8.
- 9.5 If required by the Mortgagee, the Commissioner will provide an undertaking that, subject to the provisions of clause 7 being satisfied, the Commissioner will register the discharge of the Mortgage and register any new mortgage against the certificate of title for Freehold Land at the same time as the certificate of title for the Freehold Land issues.

### 10 Continuation of Lease

- 10.1 The Lease will remain in full force and effect until a certificate of title issues for the Freehold Land. Notwithstanding when Settlement Date occurs, until a certificate of title issues for the Freehold Land the Holder will duly and punctually comply with all obligations on its part under the Lease (other than as set out at clause 12.1 (b)) and the Lease will remain in full force and effect.
- 10.2 From the date that a certificate of title is issued for the Freehold Land the Lease is deemed to be surrendered and, subject to clause 10.3, the Commissioner releases and discharges the Holder from the performance and observance of all covenants, conditions and obligations under the Lease.
- 10.3 The release and discharge in clause 10.2:
  - (a) is without prejudice to the rights, remedies and powers of the Commissioner contained in the Lease (except as varied in accordance with clause 12.1(b)); and
  - (b) will not release or discharge the Holder from any liability under the Lease,
  - arising prior to the date that the certificate of title for the Freehold Land is issued, under any statute or by any reason where such liability is due to the fault of the Holder.
- 10.4 As from the Vesting Date, the Holder will not have any estate, right or claim against any of the land, improvements, fencing, buildings, structures, fixtures, fittings or chattels on the Crown Land (subject to the provisions of any permit, easement, concession, other encumbrance or document provided under this Proposal). The Holder will not be entitled to any compensation

for any of its improvements, fencing, buildings, structures, fixtures, fittings or chattels which are on the Crown Land as at the Vesting Date.

### 11 Fencing and Construction Works

- 11.1 If the Holder has accepted this Proposal and that acceptance has taken effect pursuant to the Act, the Commissioner will, subject to clauses 11.2 and 14.4, erect at the Commissioner's cost new fencing:
  - (a) approximately along the line marked "New Fencing Line" on the Plan; and
  - (b) to the specifications in Appendix 3;

("the Fencing").

- 11.2 If the Fencing requires a resource consent or any other consent from any local or territorial authority ("the Fencing Consent"), the following provisions shall apply:
  - (a) The Commissioner shall use reasonable endeavours to obtain the Fencing Consent within 6 months of this Proposal taking effect pursuant to the Act.
  - (b) If the Fencing Consent:
  - is not obtained within 6 months of this Proposal taking effect pursuant to the Act; and/or
  - (ii) is obtained on terms which are not satisfactory to the Commissioner in all respects; the Commissioner may, acting reasonably, elect to do any one or more of the following:
  - (iii) erect the Fencing in a position different from that shown on the Plan;
  - (iv) erect the Fencing over a shorter distance than that shown on the Plan; or
  - (v) erect the Fencing to specifications different from those in Appendix 3.
- 11.3 If the Commissioner has not completed the Fencing by the Settlement Date, the Holder agrees that the Commissioner may register a covenant, on terms entirely satisfactory to the Commissioner (in the Commissioner's sole discretion), over the Freehold Land to enable the Commissioner to complete the Fencing. The Holder will do all things necessary (including signing any document) to enable the Commissioner to register such a covenant.
- 11.4 The ongoing maintenance of the Fencing referred to in clauses 11.1 and 11.2 will be subject to the terms of the Fencing Act 1978.
- 11.5 If the Holder has accepted this Proposal and that acceptance has taken effect pursuant to the Act, [the Commissioner] [the Holder] [both parties] will, subject to clause 11.6, undertake the construction works set out in Appendix 3 on the terms and conditions set out in Appendix 3 ("the Construction Works").
- 11.6 If any Construction Works for which the Commissioner is liable, or jointly liable with the Holder, require a resource consent or any other consent from any local or territorial authority ("the Works Consent"), the following provisions shall apply:
  - (a) The Commissioner shall use reasonable endeavours to obtain the Works Consent within 6 months of this Proposal taking effect pursuant to the Act.
  - (b) If the Works Consent:

- is not obtained within 6 months of this Proposal taking effect pursuant to the Act; and/or
- (ii) is obtained on terms which are not satisfactory to the Commissioner in all respects;

the Commissioner may, acting reasonably, elect to vary the extent of the Construction Works in question and/or the terms and conditions upon which they are carried out.

### 12 Apportionments

- 12.1 Rent payable under the Lease in respect of the Freehold Land shall be apportioned as follows:
  - (a) Rent paid or payable will be apportioned on the Settlement Date as at the Settlement Date and either deducted from or added to (as the case may be) the amount required to settle.
  - (b) Notwithstanding that the Lease continues in effect until a certificate of title issues for the Freehold Land, the Holder shall not be required to pay any rent under the Lease for the Freehold Land from the Settlement Date.
- 12.2 Rent paid or payable under the Lease for the Crown Land will be apportioned on the Settlement Date as at the Vesting Date and either deducted from or added to (as the case may be) the amount required to settle.
- 12.3 All rates, levies, and all other incomings and outgoings and other charges receivable from or charged upon the Freehold Land will, unless otherwise agreed by the parties, be apportioned on the Settlement Date as at the Settlement Date.
- 12.4 All rates, levies and all other incomings and outgoings and other charges receivable from or charged upon the Crown Land will be apportioned on the Settlement Date as at the Vesting Date and either deducted from or added to (as the case may be) the amount required to settle.
- Following the date that a certificate of title issues for the Freehold Land, the Commissioner will undertake a final apportionment and either the Commissioner will pay to the Holder, or the Holder will pay to the Commissioner, any additional amounts due because of any payments made or received by one party on behalf of the other for the period from the Settlement Date to the date on which a new certificate of title issues for the Freehold Land.

### 13 Risk

- 13.1 On and with effect from the Unconditional Date all risk of any nature in respect of the Freehold Land will pass from the Commissioner to the Holder. For the avoidance of doubt, the Holder's current risk in respect of matters arising under the Lease, including, without limitation, the Holder's risk in respect of all improvements, buildings, fencing, fixtures, fittings and chattels, will continue to remain with the Holder until the Lease is deemed to be surrendered under clause 10.2.
- 13.2 The Holder will be required to comply with its settlement obligations under this Proposal irrespective of any damage to, or destruction of, the Freehold Land prior to the Settlement Date.

### 14 Survey

- 14.1 All areas of the Land forming part of this Proposal and delineated on the Plan are approximate and subject to preparation of the Final Plan. The measurements of the areas may therefore alter on the Final Plan.
- 14.2 No error, misdescription or amendment of any part of the Land will annul, vary, or derogate from this Proposal, or the Holder's acceptance of this Proposal.
- 14.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the Holder will not be entitled to cancel or withdraw its acceptance of this Proposal, nor will the Holder, or any successor in title of the Holder or any party with an interest in the Land, be entitled to payment of any compensation, should any area of the Land on the Final Plan have a different measurement to the area specified in this Proposal.

14.4 The Commissioner does not warrant that any existing fence is erected on, or that any new fence to be erected will be on, any boundaries of the Land or any part of the Land as outlined on the Plan or the Final Plan.

### 15 Holder's Acknowledgments

- 15.1 If the Holder accepts this Proposal and that acceptance takes effect under the Act, the Holder acknowledges that:
  - (a) it is obtaining the freehold interest in the Freehold Land:
    - (i) "as is", solely in reliance on its own investigations and judgement; and
    - (ii) not in reliance on any representation or warranty made by the Commissioner, its employees, agents or any other person or persons directly or indirectly associated with the Commissioner;
  - (b) the Holder has carried out all inspections of the Freehold Land which the Holder considers necessary to satisfy itself as to all matters relating to the Freehold Land;
  - (c) the Holder, at its cost, is entirely responsible for all work to ensure that the Freehold Land complies with all applicable laws including (without limitation):
    - (i) the Resource Management Act 1991; and
    - (ii) any rule in any plan, resource consent or other requirement issued under the Resource Management Act 1991, and
    - (iii) the Building Act 2004; and

the Holder hereby indemnifies and will indemnify the Commissioner against all losses, damages and expenses incurred by the Commissioner and against all claims made against the Commissioner in respect of any work or costs for which the Holder is liable under this clause 15;

- (d) nothing in this Proposal is affected by, and the Commissioner has no liability of any nature in respect of, the existence or terms of any leases, licences or other occupation rights of any nature (if any) granted by the Holder in respect of the Land; and
- (e) the Holder has no claim (and will not have any claim) whatsoever against the Crown and/or Commissioner in relation to the Tenure Review and/or this Proposal, including (without limitation) any claim for any misrepresentation or for any loss or damage suffered whether in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise.

### 16 No Representations or Warranties by the Commissioner

- 16.1 The Commissioner gives no representations or warranties of any nature in respect of the Freehold Land. Without limitation, the Commissioner does not warrant:
  - (a) the accuracy of any matter in the Notice or this Proposal or in any notice, or any correspondence or other information provided to the Holder by the Commissioner or by any agent, contractor or employee of the Commissioner; or
  - (b) that the Freehold Land is or will remain suitable for the Holder's use; or
  - (c) that the Freehold Land complies with all or any statutory, territorial authority or any other legal requirements affecting or relevant to the Freehold Land.

### 17 Acceptance

- 17.1 The Holder's acceptance of this Proposal is irrevocable and constitutes a binding agreement between the Commissioner and the Holder.
- 17.2 If the Commissioner does not receive an acceptance to this Proposal from the Holder within three (3) months of putting it (in its substantive form) to the Holder, the Holder is deemed to have rejected this Proposal.

### 18 Solicitors Certificate

- 18.1 The Holder must procure the Holder's solicitors to provide the Commissioner with a solicitor's certificate (in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner, in its reasonable opinion) relating to such matters as the Holder's execution of this Proposal and the Holder's execution of any documents required to give effect to this Proposal (including, without limitation any easement, protective mechanism and/or concession). An example of the form of solicitors certificate required is set out at Appendix 2.
- 18.2 The Holder must return the completed solicitor's certificate to the Commissioner with this Proposal on its acceptance by the Holder.

### 19 Default

- 19.1 If from any cause whatever (except the default of the Commissioner) all or any part of the Holder's Payment or any other money payable by the Holder to the Commissioner is not paid on the due date the Holder will pay to the Commissioner interest at the Default Rate on the part of the Holder's Payment or any other money payable by the Holder to the Commissioner so unpaid from the due date until the date of actual payment in full.
- 19.2 The Commissioner's rights under this clause 19 are without prejudice to any other rights or remedies available to the Commissioner at law or in equity.

### 20 Goods and Services Tax

- 20.1 The Commissioner and the Holder warrant to each other that they are registered for GST purposes.
- 20.2 On the 10<sup>th</sup> working day following the Unconditional Date, the Commissioner will provide to the Holder a GST invoice in respect of the supply evidenced by the Holder's Consideration. The invoice will specify the Commissioner's GST Date.
- 20.3 The Holder will pay GST on the Holder's Consideration to the Commissioner by bank cheque on the Commissioner's GST Date, time being of the essence.
- 20.4 On the 10<sup>th</sup> working day following the Unconditional Date, the Holder will provide to the Commissioner a GST invoice in respect of the supply evidenced by the Commissioner's Consideration.
- 20.5 The Commissioner will pay GST on the Commissioner's Consideration to the Holder on the Commissioner's GST Date, time being of the essence.

- 20.6 Where any GST is not paid to the Commissioner or to the Holder (as the case may be) in accordance with this clause 20, the Holder will pay to the Commissioner, or the Commissioner will pay to the Holder (as the case may be), upon demand and together with the unpaid GST:
  - (a) interest, at the Default Rate, on the amount of the unpaid GST and which will accrue from the Commissioner's GST Date until the date of payment of the unpaid GST; and
  - (b) any Default GST.

### 21 Lowest price

21.1 For the purposes of section EW 32(3) of the Income Tax Act 2004 the purchase price of the Land, as set out in this agreement, does not include any capitalised interest and is the lowest price that the parties would have agreed upon, at the date of this agreement had payment been required in full at the time the first right in the Land was transferred.

### 22 Costs

- 22.1 The Commissioner will meet the costs of the survey (if any) of the Land, including all designation areas, the Final Plan and for a certificate of title to issue for the Freehold Land.
- The Holder is responsible for all costs the Holder incurs in respect of and incidental to the Tenure Review. In particular, but without limitation, the Holder shall bear all its costs in relation to the review of all documentation forming part of the Tenure Review (including this Proposal), and all professional advice provided to or sought by the Holder.

### 23 No nomination or assignment

23.1 The Holder is not entitled to, and is expressly prohibited from, nominating another person to perform the Holder's obligations under this Proposal or assigning to another person the Holder's interest (or any part) under this Proposal.

### 24 Recreation Permit

24.1 Immediately on the registration of the Final Plan and a copy of the proposal to which it relates over the Land and pursuant to s64 of the Act, any recreation permit granted over the Land shall be determined.

### 25 General

- 25.1 This Proposal and the Notice:
  - (a) constitute the entire understanding and agreement between the Commissioner, the Crown and the Holder in relation to the Tenure Review; and
  - (b) supersede and extinguish all prior agreements and understandings between the Crown, the Commissioner and the Holder relating to the Tenure Review.
- Each provision of this Proposal will continue in full force and effect to the extent that it is not fully performed at the Settlement Date.
- 25.3 The Holder must comply with the Commissioner's requirements for the implementation and settlement of the Tenure Review contemplated by this Proposal.
- 25.4 The Commissioner and the Holder will sign and execute all deeds, agreements, schedules and other documents and do all acts and things as may be reasonably required by the other to effectively carry out and give effect to the terms and intentions of this Proposal.
- 25.5 This Proposal is governed by, and must be construed under, the laws of New Zealand and the Commissioner and the Holder irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of the New Zealand courts or other New Zealand system of dispute resolution.
- 25.6 The illegality, invalidity or unenforceability of any provision in this Proposal will not affect the legality, validity or enforceability of any other provision.
- 25.7 In relation to notices and other communications under this Proposal:

- (a) each notice or other communication is to be in writing, and sent by facsimile, personal delivery or by post to the addressee at the facsimile number or address, and marked for the attention of the person or office holder (if any), from time to time designated for that purpose by the addressee to the other party. Other than the address to which the Holder is to send its acceptance of this Proposal (which the Commissioner will specifically notify the Holder of) the address, person or office holder (if any) for each party is shown on the front page of this Proposal;
  - (b) no communication is to be effective until received. A communication will be deemed to be received by the addressee:
    - (i) in the case of a facsimile, on the working day on which it is despatched or, if despatched after 5.00 p.m. on a working day or, if despatched on a non-working day, on the next working day after the date of dispatch;
    - (ii) in the case of personal delivery (including, but not limited to, courier by a duly authorised agent of the person sending the communication), on the working day on which it is delivered, or if delivery is not made on a working day, on the next working day after the date of delivery; and
    - (iii) in the case of a letter, on the fifth working day after mailing (postage paid).

### 26 Interpretation

### 26.1 **Definitions**

In this Proposal unless the context otherwise requires:

Act means the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998:

**Commissioner** means the Commissioner of Crown Lands appointed under the State Sector Act 1988;

**Commissioner's Consideration** means the amount payable by the Commissioner to the Holder by equality of exchange for the surrender of the leasehold interest in the Lease in relation to the Crown Land, as specified in the Notice;

**Commissioner's GST Date** means the earlier of Settlement Date or the fifth working day before the day on which the Commissioner is due to pay to the Inland Revenue Department all GST payable by the Commissioner in respect of the supply made under this Proposal;

**Commissioner's Payment** means the balance of the Commissioner's Consideration payable by the Commissioner to the Holder by equality of exchange for the Crown Land, as specified in the Notice (if any);

**Crown Land** means the land (including any improvements) set out in Schedule One and the land (including any improvements) set out in Schedule Two (if any);

**Default GST** means any additional GST, penalty or other sum levied against either the Commissioner or the Holder under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 or the Tax Administration Act 1994 by reason of either the Commissioner or the Holder failing to pay GST as required by this Proposal. It does not include any sum levied against the Commissioner or the Holder by reason of a default by the Commissioner after payment of GST to the Commissioner by the Holder or by reason of a default by the Holder after payment of GST to the Holder by the Commissioner;

Default Rate means the rate of 11 per cent per annum;

Fencing means any stock proof farm fence.

**Fencing Consent** means any and all consents required under the Resource Management Act 1991.

**Final Plan** means the final plan for the Land prepared and submitted by the Commissioner to the Surveyor-General under sections 62(4)(c) and (d) of the Act;

Freehold Land means the land set out in Schedule Three:

**GST** means all goods and services tax payable by the Commissioner or the Holder under the Goods and Services Tax Act 1985 in respect of their respective supplies evidenced by this Proposal;

**Holder** means the holder shown on the front page of this Proposal (being the lessee under the Lease);

**Holder's Consideration** means the amount payable by the Holder to the Commissioner by equality of exchange for the freehold of the Freehold Land, as specified in the Notice;

**Holder's Payment** means the balance of the Holder's Consideration payable by the Holder to the Commissioner by equality of exchange for the freehold of the Freehold Land, as specified in the Notice (if any);

**Land** means the land subject to the Tenure Review identified on the front page of this Proposal;

**Lease** means the lease described on the front page of this Proposal;

Mortgage means any mortgage (registered or unregistered) over the Land;

Mortgagee means the holder of any Mortgage;

Notice means the notice to the Holder setting out:

- (a) the Holder's Consideration:
- (b) the Commissioner's Consideration; and
- (c) the Holder's Payment or the Commissioner's Payment (as the case may be);

which includes amounts proposed to be paid by way of equality of exchange and accompanies this Proposal, but is not part of this Proposal;

Plan means the plan of the Land showing all designations on page 2 of this Proposal;

**Registrar** means the Registrar-General of Lands appointed under the State Sector Act 1988;

**Settlement Date** means the settlement date defined in clause 3.1:

Surveyor-General means the Surveyor-General appointed under the State Sector Act 1988;

**Tenure Review** means the tenure review of the Land being undertaken by the Commissioner under the Act;

**Unconditional Date** means the date that the Commissioner receives from the Holder an executed copy of this Proposal signed by the Holder containing the signed consents of all persons having an interest in the Land to the Holder's acceptance of this Proposal which results in the acceptance taking effect under the Act;

**Vesting Date** means the date on which the Crown Land vests in the Crown pursuant to the Act;

**Working day** means a day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday, Waitangi Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, the Sovereign's birthday, Labour Day, or a day during the period commencing on any Christmas Day and ending with the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the following January or a day which is a provincial holiday in the place where the obligation is to be performed.

**Works Consent** means any and all consents required under the Resource Management Act 1991; and/all the Building Act 2004.

### 26.2 Construction of certain references

In this Proposal, unless inconsistent with the context:

- (a) a reference to a certificate of title includes a reference to a computer register;
- (b) words importing a gender include all genders;

- (c) reference to a statute includes reference to all enactments that amend or are passed in substitution for the relevant statute and to all regulations relating to that statute;
- (d) words in the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- (e) reference to a month means a calendar month;
- (f) reference to a person means an individual, a body corporate, an association of persons (whether corporate or not), a trust or a state or agency of a state (in each case, whether or not having separate legal personality);
- (g) references to sections, clauses, sub-clauses, parts, annexures, attachments, appendices, schedules, paragraphs and sub-paragraphs are references to such as they appear in this Proposal and form part of this Proposal;
- (h) headings are included for ease of reference only and will not affect the construction or interpretation of this Proposal;
- (i) all monetary amounts are expressed in New Zealand currency;
- (j) references to obligations includes reference to covenants, undertakings, warranties and, generally, obligations or liabilities of any nature properly arising whether directly or indirectly, under or in respect of the relevant contract, agreement or arrangement;
- (k) all references to times are references to times in New Zealand;
- (I) if the Holder comprises more than one person, each of those person's obligations, as Holder, will be both joint and several.

## 1 Details of Designation

1.1 Nil

### 2 Schedule One Improvements

N/A.

## 1 Details of designation

1.1 Nil

## 2 Information Concerning Proposed Concession

N/A.

### 1 Details of designation

- 1.1 Under this Proposal the land shown marked in green on the Plan, being **2182.8500** hectares (approximately) is designated as land to be disposed of by freehold disposal to the Holder subject to:
  - (a) Part IVA of the Conservation Act 1987;
  - (b) Section 11 of the Crown Minerals Act 1991;
  - (c) the covenant (shown on the Plan in yellow) substantially as set out in Appendix Four.

### **Schedule Four: Conditions**

- The Commissioner is under no obligation, and may decide, in its sole discretion, not to proceed further with the Tenure Review unless and until:
  - (a) the Commissioner considers sufficient funds will be obtained to complete the Tenure Review;
  - (b) the Director General of Conservation has completed all actions required under Part IVA of the Conservation Act 1987.

## Appendix 1: Consents – Example of Mortgagee Consent

[	] as Mortgage	e unde	r Mortgage [	] ("the Mortgage"), hereby:		
(a)	consents to acceptance of the Proposal dated [Holder] ("the Holder") pursuant to the Crown Pastora to the registration of the documents affecting the Fre to the registration of any new mortgage to be granted			eehold Land referenced in the Proposal prio		
(b)	agrees to sign and execute all deeds, agreements, schedules and other documents and do all acts and things as may be reasonably required by the Holder or the Commissioner to register a discharge of the Mortgage and any new mortgage over the Freehold Land.					
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## Appendix 1: Consents (continued) - Example of "Other" Consent

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Witness Signature:				
Witness Name: Occupation: Address:				

### Appendix 2: Example of Solicitors Certificate

### Certifications

I [ ] hereby certify as follows:

[[insert name of Holder] ("the Holder") is a duly incorporated company under the Companies Act 1993. The Holder's entry into and performance of its obligations under the Proposal dated [ ] ("the Proposal") have been duly authorised by the directors and, if required, by the shareholders of the Holder. The Holder has executed the Proposal in accordance with its constitution.] OR

The entry into the Proposal dated [ ] ("the Proposal") by [insert name of Holder] ("the Holder") and performance of the Holder's obligations under the Proposal have been duly authorised by the trustees of the [insert name of trust] in accordance with its trust deed *OR* 

[[insert name of Holder] ("the Holder") has delegated responsibility for signing the Proposal on its behalf to an attorney in accordance with its constitution. The attorney of the Holder has properly executed the Proposal in accordance with this power of attorney and in accordance with the Holder's constitution and a certificate of non-revocation is enclosed.]

- 2. The consent of each person that has an interest (registered or unregistered) in the Land (as that term is defined in the Proposal), to the Holder's acceptance of the Proposal has been obtained and included in the copy of the Proposal, signed by the Holder, that has been provided to the Commissioner.
- 3. [No consent, licence, approval or authorisation by any court, regulatory authority or governmental agency is required to enable the Holder to accept the Proposal, perform the Holder's obligations under the Proposal and to acquire the freehold interest in the Land (as defined in the Proposal).] *OR*

[All necessary consents, licences, approvals and authorisations required to enable the Holder to accept the Proposal, perform its obligations under it and to acquire the freehold interest in the Land (as defined in the Proposal) have been obtained. Evidence of the consents, licences, approvals and authorisations are attached to this letter.]

Yours faithfully [signed by principal of law firm]

Appendix 3: Indicative Fencing and Construction Requirements
Fenceline
Nil
Construction
Nil
[Note: Appendix 3 must always relate to fencing and/or construction works which may not be completed by the Settlement Date. If no fencing or construction is to be undertaken then insert "Nil"]

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### **Between**

## **COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS Pursuant to Section 80 of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998**

and

# MINISTER OF CONSERVATION ("the Minister")

### COVENANT UNDER RESERVES ACT 1977 FOR CROWN PASTORAL LAND ACT 1998 PURPOSES



**THIS DEED of COVENANT** is made the day of

BETWEEN COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS acting pursuant to section 80

of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998

### AND MINISTER OF CONSERVATION

### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The Commissioner of Crown Lands is deemed for the purposes of section 77 of the Reserves Act 1977 to be the owner of the Land under section 80(5) of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998.
- B. The Land contains certain Values specified in Schedule 1.
- C. The parties agree that the Land should be managed so as to preserve the particular Values specified in Schedule 1, and that such purpose can be achieved without the Minister acquiring a fee simple or leasehold interest in the Land.
- D. An approved plan designating the Land as land over which a Covenant under section 77 of the Reserves Act 1977 is to be created has been registered under section 64 of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998.
- E. The Commissioner of Crown Lands has agreed to grant the Minister a Covenant over the Land to preserve the particular Values specified in Schedule 1.

### **OPERATIVE PARTS**

In accordance with section 77 of the Reserves Act 1977, and with the intent that the Covenant run with the Land and bind all subsequent Owners of the Land, the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Minister agree as follows:

### 1. INTERPRETATION

1.1 In this Covenant unless the context otherwise requires:

"Act" means the Reserves Act 1977.

"Covenant" means this Deed of Covenant made under section 77 of the Act.

"Director-General" means the Director-General of Conservation.

"Fence" includes a gate.

"Fire Authority" means a Fire Authority as defined in the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977.

"Land" means the land described in Schedule 1.

"Minerals" means any mineral that is a Crown owned mineral under section 2 of the

Crown Minerals Act 1991.

"Minister" means the Minister of Conservation.

"Natural Water" includes water contained in streams the banks of which have, from time to

time, been realigned.

"Owner" means the person or persons who from time to time is or are registered as the

proprietor(s) of the Land.

"Party" or "Parties" means either the Minister or the Owner or both.

"Values" means any or all of the Land's natural environment, biodiversity including

botanical and zoological, landscape amenity, wildlife, freshwater life, marine

life habitat or historic values as specified in Schedule 1.

"Working Day" means the period between any one midnight and the next excluding

Saturdays, Sundays, and statutory holidays in the place where the Land is

located.

### 1.2 For avoidance of doubt:

- 1.2.1 the reference to any statute in this Covenant extends to and includes any amendment to or substitution of that statute:
- 1.2.2 clause and other headings are for ease of reference only and are not to be treated as forming any part of the context or to affect the interpretation of this Covenant;
- 1.2.3 words importing the singular number include the plural and vice versa;
- 1.2.4 expressions defined in clause 1.1 bear the defined meaning in the whole of this Covenant including the Background. Where the parties disagree over the interpretation of anything contained in this Covenant and in determining the issue, the parties must have regard to the matters contained in the Background;
- any obligation not to do anything must be treated to include an obligation not to suffer, permit or cause the thing to be done;
- 1.2.6 words importing one gender include the other gender;
- 1.2.7 the agreements contained in this Covenant bind and benefit the parties and their administrators and executors, successors and assigns in perpetuity;
- 1.2.8 where clauses in this Covenant require further agreement between the parties such agreement must not be unreasonably withheld.

### 2. OBJECTIVE OF THE COVENANT

2.1 The Land must be managed so as to preserve the Values.

### 3. THE OWNER'S OBLIGATIONS

- 3.1 <u>Unless agreed in writing by the parties</u>, the Owner must not carry out or allow to be carried out on or in relation to the Land:
  - 3.1.1 grazing of the Land by livestock;
  - 3.1.2 subject to clauses 3.2.1 and 3.2.3, felling, removal or damage of any tree, shrub or other plant;
  - 3.1.3 the planting of any species of tree, shrub or other plant;
  - 3.1.4 the erection of any fence, building, structure or other improvement for any purpose;
  - 3.1.5 any burning, chemical spraying, top dressing or sowing of seed;
  - 3.1.6 any cultivation, earth works or other soil disturbances;
  - 3.1.7 any archaeological or other scientific research involving disturbance of the soil;
  - 3.1.8 the damming, diverting or taking of Natural Water;

- 3.1.9 any action which will cause deterioration in the natural flow, supply, quantity, or quality of water of any stream, river, lake, pond, marsh, or any other water resource affecting the Land;
- 3.1.10 any other activity which might have an adverse effect on the Values.
- 3.1.11 any prospecting or mining for Minerals, coal or other deposit or moving or removal of rock of any kind on or under the Land;
- 3.1.12 the erection of utility transmission lines across the Land.

### 3.2 The Owner must:

- 3.2.1 eradicate or control all weeds and pests on the Land to the extent required by any statute; and in particular comply with the provisions of, and any notices given under, the Biosecurity Act 1993;
- 3.2.2 if it is safe to do so, assist the Fire Authority to extinguish any wildfire upon or threatening the Land;
- 3.2.3 keep the Land free from exotic tree species;
- 3.2.4 keep the Land free from rubbish or other unsightly or offensive material arising from the Owner's use of the Land;
- 3.2.5 subject to consultation between the Owner and the Minister and observance of any reasonable conditions imposed by the Owner, grant to the Minister or authorised agent of the Minister or any employee of the Director-General, a right of access on to the Land, with or without motor vehicles, machinery, and implements of any kind, to examine and record the condition of the Land, or to carry out protection or maintenance work on the Land, or to ascertain whether the provisions of this Covenant are being observed;
- 3.2.6 keep all Fences on the boundary of the Land in good order and condition and, notwithstanding clause 3.1.4, rebuild or replace all such Fences when reasonably required except as provided in clause 4.2.

### 4. THE MINISTER'S OBLIGATIONS

- 4.1 The Minister must have regard to the objective specified in clause 2.1 when considering any requests for approval under this Covenant.
- 4.2 The Minister must repair and replace to its former condition any Fence or other improvement on the Land or on its boundary which may have been damaged in the course of the Minister or any person referred to in clause 3.2.5 exercising any of the rights conferred by this Covenant.

### 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF OBJECTIVES

- 5.1 The Minister may;
  - 5.1.1 provide to the Owner technical advice or assistance as may be necessary or desirable to assist in meeting the objectives specified in clause 2.1;
  - 5.1.2 prepare, in consultation with the Owner, a joint plan for the management of the Land to implement the objective specified in clause 2.1.

### 6. DURATION OF COVENANT

6.1 This Covenant binds the Minister and Owner in perpetuity to the rights and obligations contained in it.

### 7. OBLIGATIONS ON SALE OF LAND

- 7.1 If the Owner sells, leases, or parts with possession of the Land, the Owner must ensure that the Owner obtains the agreement of the purchaser, lessee, or assignee to comply with the terms of this Covenant, including any agreement by the purchaser, lessee, or assignee to ensure that on any subsequent sale, lease, or assignment, any subsequent purchaser, lessee, or assignee must also comply with the terms of this Covenant including this clause.
- 7.2 If for any reason this Covenant remains unregistered and the Owner fails to obtain the agreement of a purchaser, lessee, or assignee to comply with the terms of this Covenant, the Owner will continue to be liable in damages to the Minister for any breach of the Covenant committed after the Owner has parted with all interest in the Land in respect of which a breach occurs.

### 8. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

### 8.1 **Rights**

8.1.1 The rights granted by this Covenant are expressly declared to be in the nature of a covenant

### 8.2 Trespass Act:

- 8.2.1 Except as provided in this Covenant, the Covenant does not diminish or affect the rights of the Owner to exercise the Owner's rights under the Trespass Act 1980 or any other statute or generally at law or otherwise;
- 8.2.2 For avoidance of doubt these rights may be exercised by the Owner if the Owner reasonably considers that any person has breached the rights and/or restrictions of access conferred by this Covenant.

### 8.3 Reserves Act

8.3.1 Subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Covenant, sections 93 to 105 of the Reserves Act 1977, as far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply to the Land as if the Land were a reserve.

### 8.4 Titles

8.4.1 This Covenant must be signed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands and the Minister and registered against the Certificate of Title to the Land.

### 8.5 Acceptance of Covenant

8.5.1 The parties agree to be bound by the provisions of this Covenant including during the period prior to the Covenant's registration.

### 8.6 **Fire**

- 8.6.1 The Owner must notify, as soon as practicable, the appropriate Fire Authority and the Minister in the event of wild fire threatening the Land;
- 8.6.2 If the Minister is not the appropriate Fire Authority for the Land, the Minister will render assistance to the Fire Authority in suppressing the fire if:
  - 8.6.2.1 requested to do so; or
  - 8.6.2.2 if there is in place between the Minister and the Fire Authority a formalised fire agreement under section 14 of the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977.

### 9. NOTICES

- 9.1 A notice to be given under this Covenant by one party to the other is to be in writing and made by personal delivery, by pre-paid post, or by facsimile addressed to the receiving party at the address or facsimile number set out in Schedule 1.
- 9.2 A notice given in accordance with clause 9.1 will be deemed to have been received:
  - (a) in the case of personal delivery, on the date of delivery;
  - (b) in the case of pre-paid post, on the third Working Day after posting;
  - in the case of facsimile, on the day on which it is dispatched or, if dispatched after 5.00pm, on the next day after the date of dispatch.
- 9.3 The Owner must notify the Minister of any change of ownership or control of all or part of the Land and must supply the Minister with the name and address of the new owner or person in control.

#### 10. DEFAULT

- Where either the Minister or the Owner breaches any of the terms and conditions contained in this Covenant the other party:
  - may take such action as may be necessary to remedy the breach or prevent any further damage occurring as a result of the breach; and
  - 10.1.2 will also be entitled to recover from the party responsible for the breach as a debt due all reasonable costs (including solicitor/client costs) incurred by the other party as a result of remedying the breach or preventing the damage.
- Should either the Minister or the Owner become of the reasonable view that the other party (the defaulting party) has defaulted in performance of or observance of its obligations under this Covenant then that party (notifying party) may, by written notice:
  - advise the defaulting party of the default.
  - 10.2.2 state the action reasonably required of the defaulting party to perform or observe in accordance with this Covenant; and
  - state a reasonable period within which the defaulting party must take action to remedy the default.

### 11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESSES

11.1 If any dispute arises between the Minister and the Owner in connection with this Covenant, the parties must, without prejudice to any other rights they may have under this Covenant, attempt to resolve the dispute by negotiation or other informal dispute resolution technique agreed between the parties.

### 11.2 Mediation

- if the dispute is not capable of resolution by agreement within 14 days of written notice by one party to the other (or such further period as the parties may agree to in writing) either party may refer the dispute to mediation with a mediator agreed between the parties;
- 11.2.2 if the parties do not agree on a mediator, the President of the New Zealand Law Society is to appoint the mediator.

### 11.3 Failure of Mediation

in the event that the dispute is not resolved by mediation within 2 months of the date of referral to mediation the parties agree that the provisions in the Arbitration Act 1996 will apply;

- 11.3.2 notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Arbitration Act 1996, if the parties do not agree on the person to be appointed as arbitrator, the appointment is to be made by the President of the New Zealand Law Society;
- 11.3.3 the parties further agree that the results of arbitration are to be binding upon the parties.

### 12. JOINT OBLIGATIONS

12.1 The Owner or the Minister may, by mutual agreement, carry out any work or activity or improvements or take any action either jointly or individually to better preserve the Values.

### 13. SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 13.1 Special conditions relating to this Covenant are set out in Schedule 2.
- 13.2 The standard conditions contained in this Document must be read subject to any special conditions.

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deemed pursu Land Act 1998	acting under a m the Commissioner of Crown Lands ant to section 80(5) of the Crown Pastoral 8 to be the Owner of the Land for the ection 77 of the Reserves Act 1977 e of:	
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### 8 **SCHEDULE 1**

#### 1. **Description of Land**

### CC1 - Isolated Hill Shrublands.

All that piece of land containing 7.5 hectares approximately shown shaded yellow on the plan attached to the Proposal and labelled CC1.

#### 2. Values of Land to be Preserved.

### CC1 - Isolated Hill Shrublands.

- The area supports a diverse range of plant species in this relatively small area.
- The area supports the threatened plant species Coprosma Intertexta which is listed as sparse.
- The area supports the plant species white fuzzweed (Vittadinia australis) which is listed as data deficient.

#### 3. Address for Service<sup>1</sup>

The address for service (including facsimile number) of the Minister is:

Minister of Conservation C/- Conservator Department of Conservation 195 Hereford Street Private Bag 4715

**CHRISTCHURCH** 

Ph: 03 371-3700 Fax: 03 365-1388

The address for service (including facsimile number) of the Owner is:

Clent Hills Holdings Limited c/o Paul and Kerry Harmer Castle Ridge Station Hakatere Heron Road RD 1

**ASHBURTON** Ph: 03 303-9087

Fax: 03 303-9089

State Street address not Post Office Box number.

### **SCHEDULE 2**

### **Special Conditions**

Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 3.1 the following shall apply;

### CC1 - Isolated Hill Shrublands.

- 1 The covenant area is to remain unfenced.
- 2 Stock may graze the covenant area at any time, although it is anticipated that the natural terrain will limit the stock access to the covenant area.
- The Department of Conservation will be responsible for an initial one off weed control programme on the covenant area. The owner will be responsible for all weed control on the covenant area after the initial one off weed control has been completed. The owner will allow access to the Covenant area for the purpose of weed control upon request of access being required by the Department.
- 4 The Minister may design and undertake a monitoring programme for the covenant area:
  - (a) to ensure that the ecological integrity of the area is maintained.
  - (b) to enable the monitoring of any effects on the vegetation cover and conditions, faunal values and any other conservation values in the covenant area.

The monitoring programme will be reviewed at regular intervals and if in the opinion of the Minister there is a deterioration in the condition and extent of the ecological condition the Minister reserves the right to fence the covenant area at the Minister's expense. Monitoring of the covenant will be at the expense of the Minister.

 $\underline{GRANT}$  of

Correct for the purposes of the Land Transfer Act 1952

Solicitor for the Minister

CONSERVATION COVENANT UNDER
SECTION 77 OF THE
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 $\frac{\text{COMMISSIONER OF CROWN}}{\text{LANDS}}$ 

to

**MINISTER OF CONSERVATION** 

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Solicitor Department of Conservation DUNEDIN/CHRISTCHURCH

### **Execution Section**

SIGNED by the Commissioner of

This Proposal (including the schedules and appendices) is signed by the Commissioner and the Holder as a binding agreement.

Crown Lands pursuant to the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998 in the presence of: Witness Occupation Address SIGNED for and on behalf of Clent Hills Holdings Ltd by its three directors: [name of director] Date: [name of director] Date: [name of director] Date: