

**BEFORE THE PANEL CONVENER**

**FTAA-2603-1186**

**UNDER** the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (“**the FTAA**”)

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by **Ridgeburn Limited** for approvals under the FTAA for a referred project, Ridgeburn (“**Application**”)

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**STATEMENT OF ANDREW STEPHEN APPLEBY REGARDING QUALIFICATIONS AND  
EXPERIENCE**

29 JUNE 2026

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1. My full name is Andrew Stephen Appleby. I am Principal Civil Engineer at LDE Ltd, based in Gisborne, New Zealand.
2. I prepared the report 30088-CIV-Memo-Water and Wastewater Demand Review - Rev C-692481, Revision C, dated 09/03/2026 (“**the Report**”) regarding Wastewater Discharge and Water Demand aspects of the application under the Fast Track Approvals Act 2024 (“**FTAA**”) by Ridgeburn Limited (“**the Applicant**”) for the Ridgeburn proposal (“**the Application**”). The Report was written by me. It was lodged as part of the substantive Application on behalf of the Applicant.
3. I have the following qualifications and experience relevant to the matters addressed in the Report:
  - (a) New Zealand Certificate in Civil Engineering
  - (b) Have designed numerous wastewater systems including calculations of wastewater discharge water demand.
4. While the Report has not been prepared in the form of evidence to be presented at a hearing, I confirm that:
  - (a) I/We have read the Expert Witness Code of Conduct set out in the Environment Court’s Practice Note 2023 and have complied with the requirements in the Code of Conduct in preparing the Report.
  - (b) Except where we state that we are relying on material provided by another person, the Report is within my/our collective areas of expertise.
  - (c) I/We have not omitted to consider material facts known to us that might alter or detract from the opinions expressed in this evidence.
5. While the Report is subject to a standard disclaimer stating that the report is not for use by persons other than the Applicant, I can confirm that the Report can be relied upon by the Panel and participants for the purposes of considering the Application under the FTAA.

**DATED** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026

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**[Andrew Stephen Appleby – Wastewater and Water Supply]**