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**MINUTE 3 OF THE PANEL CONVENER**  
**Convener's Conference [Green Steel] [FTAA-2506-1074]**  
**(27 August 2025)**

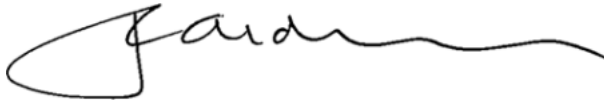
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[1] Minute 2 of the panel convener issued on 25 August 2025, requested Waikato River Authority, Waikato Regional Council and Waikato District Council to confer in advance of the conference planned for 4 September 2025, and to provide their views on a range of specific issues in advance of the convener conference scheduled for Thursday 4 September 2025.

[2] Waikato Regional Council has now advised that a response to my requests in Minute 2 would be greatly assisted by the participation of Waikato-Tainui as the relevant iwi authority, which is party to the Joint Management Agreements held with the Council.

[3] I would be grateful if Waikato-Tainui could confer with the Councils and the Waikato River Authority in relation to the matters addressed in Minute 2 and apologise for my oversight in failing to include the iwi authority when framing my requests.

[4] Further time may be required to confer and respond to Minute 2 as a result of this oversight, and on that basis, I would be grateful to receive any written response from the Councils, Waikato-Tainui and the Waikato River Authority by midday on Wednesday 3 September 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Caldwell', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right. The signature is positioned above a thin vertical line.

Jennifer Caldwell

Associate panel convener for the purpose of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024