

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**”)

**STATEMENT OF BENDON JOHN SHANKS REGARDING QUALIFICATIONS AND
EXPERIENCE**

22 JUNE 2026

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1. My full name is Brendon Shanks. I am an Acoustician at Marshall Day Acoustics, based in Dunedin, New Zealand.
2. I prepared the report Noise Assessment dated 20 February 2026 (“**the Report**”) regarding noise and vibration 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) I hold the qualifications of degrees of Bachelor of Science (Physics) and Bachelor of Music from the University of Otago. I am a member of the Acoustical Society of New Zealand and the Institute of Acoustics (UK).
 - (b) I have 18 years’ experience as an acoustics consultant. I have prepared noise assessments for medium density residential developments, including the Oranga Development in Auckland (Kāinga Ora), and assessments of developments that include significant traffic flows within the sites, including service stations (NPD Mosgiel), Supermarkets (e.g. Woolworths Mosgiel and Woolworths Metro Herne Bay). I have also prepared noise assessments for activities in existing rural areas, including data centres and quarries.
4. While the Report has not been prepared in the form of evidence to be presented at a hearing, I confirm that, subject to the caveat set out in paragraph 6 below:
 - (a) I 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 area of expertise.
 - (c) I 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 22nd day of June, 2026



Brendon Shanks – Noise and Vibration