

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 PAUL HAN REGARDING QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

22 JUNE 2026

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1. My full name is Paul Han. I am an Intermediate Engineer at GWE Consulting Engineers Limited, based in Auckland, New Zealand.
2. I prepared the report “Technical Memo – Ridgeburn – Arrowtown Junction – Water Supply Servicing Strategy” dated 22 June 2026 (“**the Report**”) regarding water supply servicing strategy 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 reviewed and approved by Maria Johnson. 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 a Bachelor of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Honours), First Class Honours, from the University of Auckland. I am an Intermediate Water and Wastewater Engineer with over four years of New Zealand experience in municipal and onsite wastewater engineering, water supply design, treatment process assessment, and environmental consenting support.
 - (b) My experience includes work on water and wastewater treatment, process assessments, process flow diagrams and P&ID development, water supply treatment design, supply demand balance modelling, mass balance and plant performance assessment, and supporting technical and consenting documentation. I have worked on a range of relevant projects, including the Ministry of Education drinking water upgrade design projects, and water supply philosophy development for Piha Mill Camp, Rangihoua Olive Estate, Weiti Developments Retirement Village, Rangitooopuni Retirement Village and the Frimley Water Treatment Plant commissioning plan.
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) 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 our collective areas of expertise.
 - (c) We have not omitted to consider material facts known to us that might alter or detract from the opinions expressed in this evidence.
5. I make the following observations with reference to the requirements of the Code of Conduct regarding the scope of the Report, the analysis and assessment undertaken by me, and the content of the Report:
- (a) The Report is a technical memorandum prepared at a preliminary strategy level to outline the proposed water supply servicing approach for the Ridgeburn – Arrowsmith Junction development.
 - (b) The Report addresses water demand, available groundwater supply, preliminary raw water quality, a high-level treatment approach, and key design and consenting considerations relevant to the proposed development.
 - (c) In preparing the Report, I relied in part on information provided by the Client and third parties, including the groundwater supply technical memorandum prepared by Terra Aqua Consultants Limited and laboratory water quality results prepared by Eurofins. Except where specifically noted otherwise in the Report, I did not independently verify that information.
 - (d) The Report is subject to the limitations set out in section 8 of the Report, including that it was prepared for the sole benefit of Gibbons Co and their appointed representatives, and that reliance on information supplied by others was necessary in preparing the Report.
6. 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paul Han', written over a horizontal line.

Paul Han - Water and Wastewater Engineer