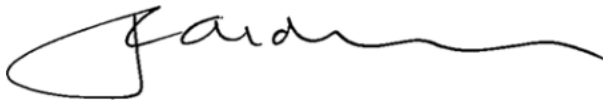

MINUTE 8 OF THE PANEL CONVENER
Appointment of fifth panel member
Green Steel [FTAA-2506-1074]
(3 October 2025)

- [1] For the reasons set out in Minute 7, I invited the Waikato River Authority (WRA) to nominate an additional member for the Green Steel Expert Panel by 1pm today, 3 October 2025.
- [2] The WRA provided me yesterday with details of that nomination. I record my thanks for the Authority's timely response.
- [3] I have asked the EPA to appoint the Alethea Hikurao to the Green Steel Expert Panel to determine the substantive application, joining the other four appointees:
- a. Matt Casey KC (chair) – joint appointment by the Panel Convener and the WRA;
 - b. Tim Manukau (mātauranga, te ao Māori and Māori development, including Te Ture Whaimana) – WRA appointment;
 - c. Tim Baker (hydrogeology and land contamination) – Panel Convener appointment;
 - d. Cherie Lane (Planner) – joint councils' nominee.

[4] The date on which the Green Steel Expert Panel will commence work remains **6 October 2025**, as determined in Minute 5.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Caldwell', with a large loop at the start and a long, wavy horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jennifer Caldwell

Associate Panel Convener for the purpose of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024