

BEFORE THE PANEL CONVENER

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

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF SUBSTANTIVE APPLICATION

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TO: The Environmental Protection Authority

1. Pursuant to section 45 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024, Ridgeburn Limited, as applicant for the Ridgeburn Project (“**Project**”), gives notice of the withdrawal of its substantive application for the Project.
2. The Applicant will relodge a fresh substantive application for the Project in the near future.
3. By way of context, and as indicated to the Panel Convener at the convener conference today:
 - (a) Since the initial convenor conference, the Applicant has undertaken further work to progress the application, including consideration of the issues raised and has either engaged or sought to engage further with the relevant parties to better understand and address their concerns.
 - (b) Through that process, the Applicant has concluded that additional time would be beneficial before the application proceeds further. The Applicant therefore intends to use the withdrawal period to engage further with the parties and their respective experts, with a view to addressing outstanding issues, narrowing areas of disagreement, and, where possible, identifying common ground. The Applicant is hopeful that all parties will engage constructively in that process.
 - (c) The Applicant’s objective is to re-lodge an application that responds to the issues raised where appropriate (and possible) and clearly identifies remaining areas of agreement and disagreement, thereby enabling the Panel to focus on the substantive issues remaining in contention.

DATED this 22nd day of July 2026



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