



15 April 2025

The Chief Executive  
Environmental Protection Authority  
366 Lambton Quay  
Wellington 6011

Dear Dr Freeth

**RE: Fast-track Approval Act 2024 – Trans Tasman Resources Limited – Substantive Application for the Taranaki VTM Project – FTA#008**

Please find attached a substantive Fast-track approvals application from Alan J Eggers on behalf of the Trans-Tasman Resources Limited (“**TTR**”), the authorised person for the Taranaki VTM Project (“**the Project**”). The Project is listed in Schedule 2 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.

TTR seeks all necessary approvals for all activities associated with the Project to provide for the extraction of up to approximately 50 million tonnes (“**Mt**”) of seabed material a year for 20 years, recovery of up to approximately 5Mt of vanadium-rich titanomagnetite concentrate, return the 45Mt de-ored sediment to the seabed, and monitor environmental recovery for up to 5 years post-extraction.

TTR has uploaded the application documentation to the [fasttrack.govt.nz](https://fasttrack.govt.nz) portal. The complete application package includes:

- *Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 Substantive Application Form Guidance document;*
- *Trans-Tasman Resources – Taranaki VTM Project - Fast-track Act Application – 15 April 2025;*
- *Attachments to the Application:*
  - *Attachment 1: Proposed Authorised Restricted Activities, Consent Conditions including Schedules 1-7;*
  - *Attachment 2: NZIER - Economic Impact Assessment of TTRL’s Taranaki VTM Iron Sands Project - March 2025;*
  - *Attachment 3: Siecap - Taranaki VTM Project Pre-Feasibility Study Offshore Iron Sands Project - March 2025; and*
  - *Attachment 4: Siecap - Metallurgical Review: Recovery of Vanadium from Taranaki VTM Project NZ - February 2025.*
- *Appendices to the Application – 1.1 to 8.; and*
- *Supplementary Technical Package – Reports 1 to 42.*

TTR acknowledges the size of the application is reflective of the substantive nature of the Project therefore, the TTR project team is available to assist the EPA in navigating and/or understanding any aspects of the Project and the supporting application as necessary.

Yours sincerely

**Trans-Tasman Resources Limited**

A blue ink signature of Alan J Eggers, consisting of a stylized, flowing script.

**Alan J Eggers**  
Executive Chairman