

**IN THE MATTER OF**  
**AND**

the Resource Management Act 1991

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Various applications by Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (MHUD) to the Rotorua Lakes Council (Council).

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**RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**  
**DIRECTION #2 – APPLICANT REPLY**  
**INDEPENDENT HEARING COMMISSIONER**

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**Purpose**

1. The purpose of Direction #2 is to revise the indicative timetable for the Applicant's reply.

**Introduction**

2. The hearing into MHUD's applications for 12 month consents for the use of seven motels for Contracted Emergency Housing was held at Rotorua between Tuesday, 5 November 2024 and Thursday, 7 November 2024.
3. The hearing was then adjourned pending receipt of the Applicant's reply and further information sought, which was agreed by Friday, 22 November 2024.
4. The Applicant has now advised that the necessary information will not be available by that date, having also taken into account Council's revised recommendation to decline consent for the Apollo Motel, and seeks an amended date for Reply of Friday, 29 November 2024.

**Directions**

5. I agree that the amended date is acceptable for the reasons given – noting that this increases the risk that a decision will not be available before the end of the statutory working days commencing 20 December.
6. The following directions are made:
  - (a) The Applicant's reply submissions and supplementary evidence shall be made available no later than by 4pm Friday, 29 November 2024.
  - (b) The hearing remains adjourned until otherwise advised.
7. The reply material is to be posted on Council's website for the public to access as soon as practicable after receipt.
8. Any queries or correspondence related to this Minute should be sent through to the Panel Secretary, Susan Taylor at [susan.taylor@tompkinswake.co.nz](mailto:susan.taylor@tompkinswake.co.nz).



David Hill  
Independent Hearing Commissioner

13 November 2024