

File: RM19.051

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Queenstown Lakes District Council
10 Gorge Road
Queenstown 9348

Via email to: Alisha.Robinson@beca.com and Mark.Baker@qldc.govt.nz

Dear Sir/Madam

Request for further information under Section 92(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act) – Consent Number RM19.051.01: Discharge Permit – To discharge wastewater overflows into freshwater receiving environments, or onto land in circumstances where it may enter freshwater at various locations throughout the Queenstown Lakes district

Thank you for your application for a discharge permit as summarised above.

An initial assessment of your application has been made. Aquanet Consulting Limited (Aquanet) is providing a technical review of the application on behalf of Council's Resource Science Unit. Aquanet have identified that additional information is required to complete their review. We therefore request the following information in accordance with Section 92(1) of the Act:

1. Monitoring data

Aquanet has raised that due to the absence of data surrounding the volume, frequency, location and duration of discharges, adverse effects on the environment may be significant. This is due to the uncertainty associated with potential discharges and the vulnerability of particular receiving environments. To enable a full understanding of the nature of the actual and potential adverse effects on the environment, it is requested that you provide monitoring data of overflow discharges in circumstances where they may or have entered a surface water body. The monitoring data must, as a minimum, demonstrate the frequency and location of the discharges.

2. Incident response process

Section 6 of the *Wastewater overflow discharge consent - Queenstown Lakes District Council: Microbial risk assessment* dated April 2019 and prepared by NIWA recommends a number of response processes in the event of an overflow discharge. Please confirm that all of the recommendations have been adopted as part of the proposed incident response process?

Your application will be placed on hold until the requested information has been received in accordance with Section 88C of the Act.

In accordance with Section 92A of the Act, please respond within 15 working days from the date of this letter (**i.e. by Wednesday 5 May 2019**) with one of the following:

1. The information requested above; or



2. Written advice that you agree to provide the information, and the date by which you intend to provide it; or
3. Written advice that you refuse to provide the requested information.

Please note that the RMA requires the Council to publicly notify your application if you do not provide the requested information before the date mentioned above (or an agreed alternative date), or if you refuse to provide the information. It is therefore important that you contact us promptly to discuss an alternative timeframe if you are unable to provide the information within 15 working days of the date of this letter.

Please note that if the provision of the information requested above arises any additional areas of uncertainty or matters requiring further clarification, your application will remain on hold until sufficient information has been provided to enable processing to continue.

If you have any questions regarding this or any further queries, feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Charles Horrell

Senior Consents Officer

