Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Review Panel

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15 June 2011

Hon Gerry Brownlee Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Executive Wing, 7.6 Parliament Buildings WELLINGTON Hon Maurice Williamson Minister for Land Information Executive Wing Parliament Buildings WELLINGTON

Dear Ministers

Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Selwyn District Council) Order 2011; Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Waimakariri District Council) Order 2011; and

Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Christchurch City Council) Order 2011

On 15 June 2011 the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Review Panel (the Review Panel) considered the following draft Orders in Council (Orders):

- i. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Selwyn District Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15305/1.8)
- ii. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Waimakariri District Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15306/1.8)
- iii. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Christchurch City Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15300/1.10)

As required under section 73(3) of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act 2011, please find attached the Review Panel's report on these draft Orders including our recommendation.

Yours sincerely

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The Honourable Sir John Hansen Convenor, Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Review Panel

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of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Review Panel appointed under s72(1) of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act 2011 to provide advice on Orders in Council that may be required for the purposes of the Act

THE REVIEW PANEL

The Honourable Sir John Hansen (Convenor) Right Honourable Dame Jenny Shipley Murray Sherwin Anake Goodall

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE REVIEW PANEL

CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKE (RATING VALUATIONS ACT: SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL) ORDER 2011;

CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKE (RATING VALUATIONS ACT: WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL) ORDER 2011; AND

CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKE (RATING VALUATIONS ACT: CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL) ORDER 2011

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- 2. Review Panel member, Mr Murray Sherwin was not available to participate in the review of these draft Orders. This report and recommendation has been made by the other three members of the Review Panel.
- 3. The Review Panel considered the letter from Richard O'Reilly of Land Information New Zealand dated 9 June 2011 and noted that the objective of the proposal is to facilitate recovery by:
 - a. modifying or suspending the effect of certain provisions of the Rating Valuations Act 1998 in relation to when district valuation rolls are revised, how they are altered and updated with new valuations, so that councils in greater Christchurch have a practical basis for setting and assessing rates, at least for the 2011/12 financial year and possibly for longer depending upon the speed of recovery work in greater Christchurch.
- 4. The Review Panel is of the view that these draft Orders are necessary, expedient and meet the purposes of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act 2011.

Recommendation

- 5. The Review Panel recommends to the Minister for Land Information that the:
 - a. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Selwyn District Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15305/1.8),
 - b. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Waimakariri District Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15306/1.8), and
 - c. Canterbury Earthquake (Rating Valuations Act: Christchurch City Council) Order 2011 (version PCO 15300/1.10)

be made without change.

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The Honourable Sir John Hansen Convenor, Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Review Panel

Date 15 June 2011