

**SUBMISSION ON A RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION
SECTIONS 93(2) & 96 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**



To: Buller District Council
C/- West Coast Regional Council
PO Box 66
Greymouth

Copy to: Meridian Energy Limited
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APPLICANT: MERIDIAN ENERGY LTD

Closing date for submissions is Wednesday, 23 April 2008

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I/we **support** the application numbers ticketed on the back of this form
I/we **oppose** the application numbers ticketed on the back of this form

(tick one)

My/our submission is that: I oppose the applications from Meridian Energy Ltd because I believe that the information provided with the application does not fully address the possible impacts and does not offer detailed plans or mitigation measures.
(state in summary the nature of your submission. Clearly indicate whether you support or oppose the specific proposal, or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons)
Please see attached sheet.

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I/we seek the following decision from the Local Authority: I wish the Local Authority to decline the applied for consents on the basis of lack of necessary information.
(give precise details)
I would also like the Local authority to suggest to the applicant that they apply for further consents to enable in-depth investigations to be carried out.

Use the tick boxes to indicate the resource consent application(s) your submission concerns. Write a clear tick in the appropriate box(es).

I/we make my/our submission concerning all the consent applications listed below
 My/our submission only concerns the consent applications ticked below

I/we wish to be heard in support of my/our submission.
 I/we DO NOT wish to be heard and hereby make my/our submission in writing only.

Matthew Brown 23/4/08
(signature(s) of person making submission) (Date)

(If this is a joint submission by 2 or more individuals, each individual's signature is required)

I/we have served a copy of my/our submission on Meridian Energy Ltd as per Section 96(4) of the RMA

Consent list:

- RC07/180-A Land use activities associated with Dam, Staging Area & Associated Infrastructure
- RC07/180-B Land use activities associated with the Inundation Area
- RC07/180-C Land use activities associated with the Walking track
- RC07/180-D Land use activities associated with the Dam Access Road & Power Supply
- RC07/180-E Land use activities associated with Transmission Poles/Lines, Substation & Access Tracks
- RC07/180-F Land use activities associated with the Boat ramp/jetty
- RC07/180-G Land use activities associated with the Log Boom
- RC07/180-H Land use activities associated with the Use and Storage of Hazardous Substances

Buller District Council

I oppose Meridian Energy's Consent applications because I believe the information presented lacks the detail and in-depth investigation required to draw sound conclusions as to the potential adverse effects. In particular I wish to highlight the lack of information regarding:-

- Biodiversity and ecology within the affected areas;
- Visual impacts;
- Social impacts;
- Traffic and other disturbance resulting from the construction of the dam;
- Ongoing impacts resulting from the dam infrastructure and management;

I also wish to address the lack of clearly defined mitigation measures and the lack of completed engineering and planning work towards the dam proposal. This lack of in-depth study and analysis and clearly defined outcomes makes it impossible to participate fully in the submission process as an affected party.

M. Adams 23/4/08