

SUBMISSION ON RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS

Section 96 Of The Resource Management Act 1991



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Copy to:
Meridian Energy Limited
PO Box 2454,

Christchurch.

Applicant: Meridian Energy Ltd

Application Numbers: tick boxes overleaf

Closing Date for Submissions on the Mokihinui Hydro Proposal: (Wednesday 23 April 2008)

(Please print clearly) Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms (Please circle the appropriate title(s) or write below)

My/Our Full Name(s): David James Alan Paiki Thomas

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I/we support the application numbers ticked on the back of this form (tick one)

I/we oppose the application numbers ticked on the back of this form

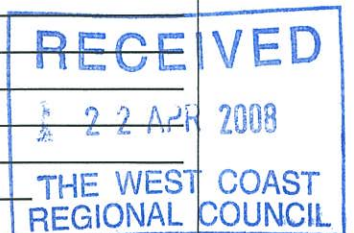
The reasons for my/our submission are as follows (further information attached (tick for yes))

[State in summary the nature of your submission, giving reasons]

I am in opposition to all resource consent applications.
See Attachment.

I/we wish the consent authority to make the following decision [Give details, including the nature of any conditions]

To decline the application in its entirety



Use the tick boxes below to indicate the resource consent applications your submission concerns.

I/we make my/our submission concerning **all** the resource consent applications below (tick)

My/our submission **only** concerns the resource applications ticked below (tick)

I/we **wish to be heard** in support of my/our submission (tick one)

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

Signature(s):  _____

Date: 18th April 08

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 Limited as per Section 96(4) of the RMA (tick)

Consent List

Mokihinui River
consents RC07150/1 – RC07150/6

Earthworks and Vegetation
consents RC07150/14 – RC07150/19

Inundation Area
consents RC07150/7 – RC07150/8

General Construction
consents RC07150/20 – RC07150/23

Staging Area
consents RC07150/9 – RC07150/10

Access Roads, Walking Tracks and Recreational
Activities
consents RC07150/24 – RC07150/26

Substation and Transmission
consents RC07150/11 – RC07150/13

The reason for my opposition are as follows;
environmental - the disturbance and destruction of this
pristine wilderness area by Earthworks, flooding,
loss of habitat of Blue duck, Long Fin Eel,
Long tail Bat, western Weka, Kereru, Kakariki,
and most importantly the Great Spotted Kiwi.
- To prevent coastal erosion from the loss of
protective silt being held back by the dam.

Heritage Values - The Mokihinui is the seventh most
Historical river in New Zealand having
significant cultural importance.

Recreational - the Mokihinui is one of the few
moderate multi-day kayaking experiences
available in the South Island.

As a class 3-4 river it is accessible to
a wider community of kayakers, rafters

The Mokihinui also has a significance to mountaineers,
hunters, trappers, fisherman and conservationists alike.
These pristine outdoor experiences stand to be destroyed
by the creation of a 65-85 MW dam drawing
330 hectares of Native New Zealand Bush and River.

David Thomas 18th April 08

