IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND WELLINGTON REGISTRY

I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA TE WHANGANUI-Ā-TARA ROHE

CIV-2017-485-377 CIV-2017-485-262 CIV-2017-404-482 CIV-2017-485-278 CIV-2017-485-513

IN THE MATTER OF

the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

applications by Te Hapū o Titoko Ngāi Tama, Ngāi Tamahaua, Ngāti Huarere ki Whangapoua, Whānau a Apanui Hapū, and Manu Paora Whānau for orders recognising customary marine title and protected customary rights

On the papers:

Counsel: Te K Williams and C Linstead-Panoho for CIV-2017-485-377

and CIV-2017-485-262

C Hirschfeld, B Tupara and Te A Thompson for CIV-2017-404-482

D Stone and C Leauga for CIV-2017-485-278 J Mason and H Berger for CIV-2017-485-513

Minute: 29 June 2020

MINUTE (NO. 24) OF CHURCHMAN J

[1] Of the 21 applicants whose cases are being called at the Rotorua case management conference (CMC) scheduled for 14 July 2020, some 13 applicants have filed updating memoranda in accordance with the minute issued by the Court on 22 May 2020. The detail of those memoranda will be summarised in the minute to be issued by the Court following completion of the 2020 CMCs.

- [2] This minute addresses only those applications where a preliminary ruling was required on matters such as attendance of counsel by way of AVL or excusal from attendance where counsel had filed an adequate memorandum.
- [3] In relation to the various requests for attendance by AVL, such requests are granted subject to the proviso that AVL arrangements need to be available and technically feasible:
 - (a) Te Hapū o Titoko Ngāi Tama (CIV-2017-485-377) and Ngāi Tamahaua (CIV-2017-485-262) (counsel Te K Williams and C Linstead-Panoho). The application to attend CMC by AVL is granted.
 - (b) Ngāti Huarere ki Whangapoua (CIV-2017-404-482) (counsel C Hirschfeld, B Tupara and Te A Thompson). Adjournment for 12 months is granted, and counsel are excused from attending the Rotorua CMC.
 - (c) Whānau a Apanui Hapū (CIV-2017-485-275) (counsel D Stone and C Leauga). Application for appearance by AVL is granted.
 - (d) Manu Paora Whānau (CIV-2017-485-513) (counsel J Mason and H Berger). Counsel's request to appear by way of AVL is granted.
- [4] Those applicants who have not filed memoranda are encouraged to do so without delay.

Churchman J