## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

## I TE KŌTI MANA NUI

SC 93/2021 [2021] NZSC 183

BETWEEN WAIRARAPA MOANA KI POUĀKANI

**INCORPORATION** 

Applicant

AND MERCURY NZ LIMITED

First Respondent

WAITANGI TRIBUNAL Second Respondent

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Third Respondent

NGĀTI KAHUNGUNU KI WAIRARAPA TĀMAKI NUI-Ā-RUA SETTLEMENT

**TRUST** 

Fourth Respondent

RAUKAWA SETTLEMENT TRUST

Fifth Respondent

TE KOTAHITANGA O NGĀTI

TŪWHARETOA Sixth Respondent

POUĀKANI CLAIMS TRUST

Seventh Respondent

RYSHELL GRIGGS AND MARK PHILLIP

CHAMBERLAIN Eighth Respondents

THE TRUSTEES OF THE RANGITĀNE

TŪ MAI RĀ TRUST Ninth Respondents

Court: Glazebrook and O'Regan JJ

Counsel: P J Radich QC and M K Mahuika for Wairarapa Moana ki

Pouākani Inc

J E Hodder QC, L L Fraser and R M A Jones for Mercury NZ Ltd

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F B Barton and A L Clark-Tahana for Raukawa Settlement Trust P V Cornegé, F E Geiringer, K H Dixon and A S Castle for Ms Griggs and Mr Chamberlain

Judgment: 15 December 2021

## JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

- A We extend time for the first respondent to apply for leave to cross-appeal in SC 93/2021.
- B We grant leave to the first respondent in SC 93/2021 to cross-appeal.
- C The approved question is whether the High Court's decision on the first respondent's claim in that Court was correct.

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