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Our Ref: Pc060 Mt White

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Dear Kingsley

APPLICATION TO SPRAY, CLEAR, CULTIVATE & TOPDRESS –MT WHITE (Pc060) REQUEST FOR COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LAND'S CONSENT

We advise that we act as agent for the Commissioner of Crown Lands with respect to the above matter.

A request has been received from Alastair Ensor (Farm Advisor) requesting the Commissioner's consent to spray, clear, cultivate and topdress on the Mt White pastoral lease. The Commissioner is required to consider each request and determine a response to the request.

The Commissioner's action in considering each application is a discretionary action subject to the provisions of Section 18 of the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998 (CPLA 1998).

In terms of Section 18 (1) the Commissioner is required to consult with you before taking any action described in Section 18 (3).

In taking the action the Commissioner, to comply with Section 18 (2) CPLA 1998, is required to take into account the following:

- (a) The desirability of protecting the inherent values of the land concerned (*other than attributes and characteristics of a recreational value only*), and in particular the inherent values of indigenous plants and animals, and natural ecosystems and landscapes; and
- (b) The desirability of making it easier to use the land concerned for farming purposes. The Commissioner of Crown Lands is also required to take into account the views expressed by any person or body who is consulted.

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The Commissioner has delegated us to act on his behalf to initiate certain elements of the consultation process.

We advise that we wish to consult with you relating to these matters.

Enclosed please find copies of all relevant information relating to the request.

We wish to meet with you or receive from you your views and thoughts relating to the Commissioner's action. In particular we wish to identify any inherent values on the property concerned as set out in Section 18 (2) (a) and the likely effect of the activities applied for on such inherent values. You may wish to comment on any other matters you think appropriate.

If you wish to inspect the area concerned, please contact Ray Ward-Smith on 0274 320 332 or email ray.wardsmith@ruralvalue.co.nz and he will convey the request to the lessee.

Would you please provide your views and advice to me as soon as possible and within the agreed 20 working days timeframe. Upon receipt of your advice, we will convey such advice to the Commissioner of Crown Lands for his consideration.

We thank you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully
RURAL VALUE

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth R Taylor".

Ken Taylor
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Encl:
Copy of application



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