

MEMO

TO All Councillors  
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## Decisions on non-notified resource consents applications

### 1. Purpose

To report on decisions made under delegated authority on non-notified resource consent applications. This report covers the period from 1 June 2016 to 22 July 2016.

### 2. Applications processed

A total of 74 resource consents were received during the period 1 June to 22 July 2016, with 56 being approved in the period. This compares with 57 consents that were approved for the same period last year. No applications were returned as incomplete under section 88.

The consents approved are summarised in the table below:

	Coastal permit	Discharge permit	Land use consent	Water permit	Certificate of Compliance
CDC	0	1	5	0	0
HCC	0	7	2	1	0
KCDC	0	2	7	1	0
MDC	0	0	1	2	0
PCC	3	0	0	0	0
SWDC	0	4	5	7	0
UHCC	0	0	0	0	0
WCC	1	2	3	2	0
TDC	0	0	0	0	0
Whole region	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

### **3. Consent trends**

No specific trends to report as the activity types were reasonably well spread for this period.

### **4. Non-notified consents of interest**

WGN160283 – Transpower – Remediation and cleaning of existing mercury contamination and the subsequent deconstruction of a building at Haywards Substation including all associated discharges to air, land and to land where it may enter water.

The Substation has occupied the site since the 1960s. In 2010 a project was commissioned to replace the existing “Pole 1” equipment on the site with state of the art thyristor valve units (Pole 3). The previous Pole 1 mercury arc valves were housed within the building which is being deconstructed. Over the last 50 years the use of the Pole 1 equipment has led to the release of mercury in the building. Now that this equipment is being removed, Transpower propose to clean the building of mercury and asbestos and then deconstruct the building to enable the use of the land for future substation activities.

The consent had expert input and was granted with a suite of monitoring conditions for mercury monitoring to ensure it does not migrate offsite.