

Rotomahana Parekarangi 6G3B Trust

*"Tiaki tenei taonga kia toitu te whenua, kia puawai"
To enhance the whenua to meet the aspirations of the owners*

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(Re: Harvesting of Rotoma Forest)

Tena Koe

I runga i nga kaupapa maha o te wa, he mihi nui ki a koutou nga mema o te poarai tiaki o te ngahere o Rotoma. He poroporoaki ki nga tini aitua kua wheturangitia. Haere atu ra koutou, pumau ki te Atua. Huri noa ake ki a tatou te hunga ora, ma te Atua tatou e manaaki me tiaki.

It is our pleasure to provide this letter of support for PF Olsen in their application to secure the harvesting management of Rotoma Forest.

Our dealings with this company commenced in early 2012 when this company harvested our approx. 60 ha block of eucalyptus trees. From the outset to the cessation of our contract, staff from PF Olsen demonstrated a high standard of professionalism in terms of meeting all their contractual obligations in a timely fashion, upholding cultural sensitivity and maintaining open communication throughout the harvesting process.

Most impressive was their cultural sensitivity. Before the commencement of harvesting, Josh Penn arranged for local kaumatua who are also owners in the block (Rangipuawhe Maika and Anaru Rangiheuea) to bless the harvesting. Josh also went to great lengths to physically sight and understand the history behind an ancient unmarked urupa located on the block and determined to ensure minimal disturbance to the area during the harvesting phase.

We are extremely satisfied with our dealings with PF Olsen and would not hesitate to enter into future contractual agreements with them.

We treasure our relationship with Josh Penn and PF Olsen, and take this opportunity to wish them the best of success in all their future undertakings.

Na reira, noho ora mai na koutou. Ahakoa te taumahatanga, kia tahuri ke tatou ki te Atua ki te arahia ai. Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou katoa.

Rea Martin (nee Rangiheuea) – Chairman
Anaru Rangiheuea – Kaumatua/Owner