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Independent Hearings Panel for the Proposed Wellington District Plan Via email

Attention: Jaskirat Kaur (Hearings Coordinator)

Dear Jaskirat,

RE: Hearing Stream 9 - Submission 316 by oOh!Media Street Furniture New Zealand Limited

Bentley & Co advises oOh!Media Street Furniture New Zealand Limited ("**oOh**"). oOh made a submission (316) on the Proposed Wellington District Plan.

Submission 316.2 seeks a new rule to be added to the Infrastructure Chapter to provide for the 'transport network' and 'ancillary transport network infrastructure' as a permitted activity, on the basis that the rules did not otherwise provide for these activities.

This submission is addressed within the Council's s42A Report. The Council officer has addressed the submission as follows:

433. It is stated in their submission that oOh! Media Street Furniture [316.2] install and maintain shelters at bus stops and pedestrian shelters within footpaths. In my view, a new rule for ancillary transport infrastructure is not necessary, as such structures are provided for through INF-R7.

Rule INF-R7 provides for "Structures associated with infrastructure". The rule lists five types of infrastructure. As notified, 'bus shelters' and 'pedestrian shelters' were not included in the list of activities within Rule INF-R7.

The s42A Report also addresses submission 266.63 by Wellington City Council, which seeks to add 'bus shelters' to Rule INF-R7. In this regard, the s42A Report states:

251. Bus shelters have similar built effects to the listed structures, and, while the list in the rule is not exclusive, there is no issue by specifically referencing bus shelters, as per WCC submission point [266.63].

The s42A Report officer's recommendation is to add 'bus shelters' to the list of infrastructure set out in Rule INF-R7.

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I confirm that oOh supports the recommendation to amend Rule INF-R7, and accepts the officer's response that 'ancillary transport network infrastructure' is provided for by this rule (principally on the basis that the scope of Rule INF-R7 is not limited to the listed infrastructure).

oOh will not present expert evidence on this hearing topic and will not attend the hearing. For the avoidance of doubt, oOh does not withdraw its submission point 316.2.

It would be appreciated that this letter is provided to the Chairperson and the Commissioners, and is 'tabled' for the purposes of Hearing Stream 9.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this statement.

Yours faithfully, **BENTLEY & CO. LTD**

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