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**DIRECTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTE 4**

**INTRODUCTION**

[1] We have received a query from one submitter regarding the provision of Rebuttal Evidence.

**REBUTTAL EVIDENCE**

- [2] Minute 1 deliberately did not provide for Rebuttal Evidence.
- [3] However, if submitters who have provided primary expert evidence consider that it would materially assist the Commissioners to provide Rebuttal Evidence, then those submitters may submit Rebuttal Evidence from relevant expert witnesses.
- [4] Ideally, any Rebuttal Evidence will be provided to the Hearings Administrator prior to the hearing commencing. However, Rebuttal Evidence may also be tabled and read aloud at the hearing.
- [5] All Rebuttal Evidence must be succinct, must not repeat matters raised in primary evidence, be largely confined to addressing perceived errors of fact rather than contesting another expert's opinion, and be no more than two A4 pages long. Digital copies in WORD format must be provided to the Hearing Administrator on or before the day the submitter is scheduled to appear at the hearing.



Rob van Voorthuysen

**Independent Commissioner – Chair - on Behalf of the Commissioners**

Dated: 17 February 2021