Westland Mineral Sands Ltd – Applications for West Coast Regional Council Resource Consent RC-2023-0133 and Westland District Council Resource Consent RC240013 – Submission

Pursuant to s96 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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We **support** the applications referenced within this document and **do not wish to be heard** in support of this submission at any hearing that may be held.

We wish to receive electronic copies of the s42A Officer's Report and Decision.

We have served a copy of our submission on the Applicant as per s96(6)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Reasons for Submission

We **support** the application by Westland Mineral Sands to undertake the mining of mineral sands at Mananui. Ours reasons for the support are;

- The additional employment the project will create in Hokitika and on the West Coast as a whole, including high paying skilled and technical roles.
- The economic impacts to the area from employment, the use of local suppliers, and investment in local infrastructure (ports, roading etc).
- The diversification of mineral extraction. The West Coast has a long and proud history of gold and coal mining, and the mining of rare earth and modern age minerals will only make the West Coast prosper in the future.
- As alluvial miners ourselves, we support the mining methods to be used and recognise the low impact the mining methods will have on the environment and the improvements that can be made to the land during the rehabilitation stage.

We seek the following decision from the Consent Authorities:

That the application be granted in its entirety.