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LVAEE ADDENDUM **RAL Whakapapa Gondola Application**

To:

From:

Date:

Subject:

15 February 2018

LVAEE for amendment to Gondola Application, Whakapapa Ski Area,

Mount Ruapehu

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 My name is I am a consultant Landscape Planner at Perception Planning Ltd. I am providing further assessment of the Gondola resource consent application at Whakapapa, in response to the amended application for the alternative tower configuration.
- 1.2 This addendum accompanies my report on landscape and visual assessment of effects on the environment for the proposed Knoll Ridge Gondola dated 1 February 2018.

2.0 PROPOSAL

2.1 I understand that the proposed application is being amended to the alternative tower configuration; to reduce the number of towers in the lahar path. This will result in two less towers overall and lower average tower height.

3.0 ASSESSMENT OF LANDSCAPE AND VISUAL EFFECTS

- 3.1 I have considered the amended tower locations and heights in relation to my original assessment. The new proposal for the alternative tower configuration has the same alignment but with fewer towers that are of a similar or less height than the previous proposal.
- 3.2 I have reviewed the new tower locations and heights and can confirm that the alternative configuration does not have any greater effects on the landscape than those assessed in the original proposal. The alternative configuration having fewer towers will be beneficial from a landscape and visual perspective; by further reducing the number of built elements in the landscape.
- 3.3 Overall I am satisfied that the alternative configuration will not exacerbate the landscape effects of the proposal.



