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This response is on behalf of the Ruakaka Residents & Ratepayers Association. We represent those people living between Waipu and the south of Whangarei including Bream Bay, the area used by the Port and the Refinery, the township of Ruakaka and the rural hinterland. We take a keen interest in what is happening in our area.

We have reviewed the material and discussed this with our membership. We would make the following comments:

- We are supportive of the proposal
- We applaud your taking this issue to the community early rather than waiting to consult on individual resource consents
- We note the unpopularity in many quarters of wind farms. There are likely to be issues with migratory birds and the scenic nature of the Northland coast in the event of offshore wind farms being proposed
- Ultimately, the proposed renewable energy zones must benefit consumers, not just generators and major users.

Thank you for the chance to comment.

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Secretary

