

Before an Independent Commissioner appointed by Timaru District Council

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 ('Act')

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application under section 88 of the Act for resource consent to operate a roofing business and for the storage of materials associated with that business at 19-27 Cornwall Street, Timaru

**STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF KYLE BLACKMAN FOR
EDWARD AND HARDY ROOFING DEPOT**

APPLICANT

Dated: 29 September 2023

INTRODUCTION

- 1 My name is Kyle Blackman. I am regional manager for Edwards and Hardy Roofing. I have been working in the construction sector for over 20 years and have been working for Edwards and Hardy Roofing for seven years.
- 2 I would like to outline the nature of the work we carry out as a roofing company and to try and give clarity and context specifically to our Timaru branch and how they operate day to day.

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

- 3 Edwards and Hardy Roofing have 16 branches nationwide from Whangarei to Dunedin. We provide roof maintenance and re-roofing services not only to private customers but also hold local and national contracts including government works.
- 4 It is essential to note that, as a roofing company, we occasionally encounter urgent work, particularly in response to extreme weather events or urgent leak callouts.
- 5 In the event of these urgent matters, it is possible that some of our staff may need to access our yard/office during non-standard hours to retrieve materials such as tarps or tiles. You're understanding and support in these exceptional situations are greatly appreciated.

HOW THE TIMARU BRANCH IS MADE UP

- 6 There are approximately eight operational staff (consisting of roofers, apprentices, labourers, spray applicators and roof scopers).
- 7 These are our operational employees that are physically doing our work. This ranges from picking up and loading our vehicles and trailers to putting roofs on and completing maintenance and roof reports.
- 8 There are approximately two sales staff who mostly visit clients on the road and spend very little time in the office.
- 9 There are approximately two managers, a branch manager and/or sales manager and/or operations manager. There is a total number of staff between 10-12.

DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS

- 10 Operational staff typically commence the day with a briefing at the office/yard between 7-8 am to receive job information and materials.
- 11 They typically conclude their day between 4-5 pm, either heading home directly or returning to the office/yard for material and paperwork drop-offs.
- 12 Sales representatives visit the office to meet with the Branch or Sales Manager, typically each morning between 9-10 am.
- 13 Currently we have one branch manager who spends the majority of his or her day at the branch between the hours of 7-5. The branch manager can have several movements

throughout the day and some days can be out of the office for a number of hours at any one time.

- 14 In conclusion, I would like to express my assessment that the branch in which we operate is, in my opinion, characterized by a very low impact and can be classified as a small and low-impact operation.