Submission to the CCC regarding the LTCCP

This submission is made on my own behalf:

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Council Controlled Organisation

- Central Plains Water Trust

I vehemently oppose any future funding for the Central Plains Water Trust or Central Plains Water Ltd by the Christchurch City Council, CDC, CEDF, CCHL or any other CCC entity.

Two independent financial companies have expressed concern over the unknown financial risks to the Selwyn District Council and the SDC have since declined to include CPW's debtfunding proposal in its LTCCP. I feel that the financial risks to the CCC are just as great and strongly oppose any debt-funding arrangements.

Central Plains Water Ltd is a private company with private shareholders. They should not rely on public money to prop it up. My community and I will suffer huge disadvantages from this irrigation scheme. An estimated eight hundred people will lose all or part of their land to enable the 300 or so shareholders increase their wealth. The processes that CPWL have employed so far are unjust and undemocratic. Consultation with affected parties has been very poor.

I do not wish to present this submission in person.

Colin J Morris

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