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BATHURST APPLIES TO BYPASS HIGH COURT IN CLIMATE CHANGE DECLARATION APPEAL

Bathurst Resources Ltd (ASX & NZX: BTU) has previously reported that Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society of New Zealand and West Coast Environmental Network Incorporated lodged appeals against the climate change declaration made in Bathurst's favour by acting Principal Environment Court Judge LJ Newhook on 1 May 2012

On 12 July 2012, Buller Coal Limited, Bathurst's wholly owned subsidiary, made an application to the High Court seeking the transfer of the climate change appeals directly to the Court of Appeal, which would bypass a hearing in the High Court. Bathurst is now awaiting the High Court's decision.

The application for the transfer of the climate change appeal to The Court of Appeal does not affect the Environment Court hearing of the primary appeal against the resource consents which will, as previously advised, commence on 29 October 2012.

On behalf of Bathurst Resources Ltd

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura McMahon Blechynden'.

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