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Kia ora Stefanie, yes let's discuss tomorrow.

Ngā mihi,  
James

**James Palmer**

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Kia ora James,

Late last year Chair Pauling sent the attached letter to Minister Simmonds. It notifies her of Council decisions to pause the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement and to seek a pathway to

progress Plan Change 8, and responds positively to her invitation for Environment Canterbury to be involved in development of a replacement NPS-FM. I apologise for not sending this to you earlier – I've only just become aware your office was not copied in.

Could we discuss this in our catchup tomorrow, to help me advise my Chair whether further engagement with Minister Simmonds might be useful to progress the pathway for PC8?

Ngā mihi,  
Stefanie

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