Submission by Radio Electronics Group ZL1REG

We are in full support of the submission out in by Waikato VHF Group.

**Proposal 1** Set fees based on the level projected to reduce the memorandum account balance to zero in six years with a subsequent increase in fees to balance revenue and expenditure.

**Response:** We cannot support any fee increase for OA1 class licences. Clubs and organizations are on fixed incomes. This coming from the members of these clubs and organizations. We have no business interests to help us with these increased fees. Amateur Radio Licence fees account for a very small number of recordings in the register so we have not incurred in any significant way toward the memorandum account balance and we would not be able to handle any significant increase in the licence fees.

**Proposal 2** Introduce a single licence fee for all licence classes.

**Response: Strongly Disagree.** We are a group of people who have a common interest in Radio. This is a personal Hobby and clubs rely on members for help by way of donations and yearly subs to be able to continue. We don't pay a licence fee but everyone does their bit to keep the clubs running. Clubs are non profit organizations and they have no commercial organizations helping to fund them.

**Proposal 3** Discontinue the licence categories for land mobile repeaters on a common channel throughout New Zealand (LR1 and LR2) and multiple transmitters on a common frequency for paging (LP1).

**Response**: This does not apply to the Amateur Radio Service so is not a concern for us.

**Proposal 4** Remove the discount for online payment and reflect the discount in the calculation of the base licence fee.

**Response:** We do not support the proposal. Clubs are non profit. This discount helps people join. If the discount was to be removed there would be a significant cost increase to the clubs.

**Proposal 5** introduce a manual processing fee of \$25 to recover the administration costs of paper based payments.

**Response:** Neutral on this Electronic payments are the way of today and should remain. Many of our members are older and some may still prefer to make manual payments. Is it fair to penalize these people.

**Proposal 6** Remove the licence interference Investigation (Lil) Rebate

**Response:** Neutral on this as we have never used it.

