Te Puni Kōkiri
REALISING MĀORI POTENTIAL

17 December 2018

Merepeka Raukawa-Tait
Board Chair, Te Pou Matakana Limited
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Tēnā koe e Merepeka

Te Pou Matakana: confirmation of the FY17/18 incentive payment

I would like to acknowledge the positive results you have achieved to date for whānau and families across Te Ika-a-Māui. I also wish to thank the Te Pou Matakana team for their efforts and co-operation in ensuring a smooth verification process in connection with our assessment of the FY17/18 incentive payment.

I am pleased to confirm that Te Puni Kōkiri has approved payment of the full amount of the FY17/18 incentive payment to Te Pou Matakana, totalling **$987,974.00**. This represents a significant achievement, and I commend Te Pou Matakana for the progress it has made against these more challenging Whānau Ora outcome targets.

I understand that some of the recommendations we made for improvements from the FY16/17 period have been implemented and were visible in FY17/18. Our team has worked alongside Te Pou Matakana to describe a number of areas for further or continuing improvement. The attached summary report provides more detailed feedback.

Upon receipt of an invoice from Te Pou Matakana for **$987,974.00** (plus GST), we will process payment as soon as possible.

My team will continue to engage with yours to develop and agree the incentive payment mechanism (including the outcome targets, the associated indicators and the performance measures) for FY18/19, bearing in mind the lessons learned from this year's verification process.

Finally, there has been much public commentary about incentive payments and the application of this payment since Te Puni Kōkiri appeared before the Māori Affairs Select Committee on 5 December. As you know, our contract is silent on the use of this payment.

I want to assure you that the views I expressed, including that *resources allocated for Whānau Ora should be used for whānau purposes*, were based on principles to which I consider Te Pou Matakana adheres. I understand your dividend distributions from your incentive payment were made to charitable organisations which support whānau.

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I appreciate all the work Te Pou Matakana is doing for whānau, and look forward to our continuing engagement over the coming year.

Ngā mihi

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cc: John Tamihere – Chief Executive, Te Pou Matakana