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**Contract: Penrhyn Island Cyclone Centres Construction**  
**Contract No.: CK192022**

**RE: NOTICE TO TENDERERS 001 – Clarifications**

Kia Orana,

Please find below details of NOTICE TO TENDERERS 001 – Clarifications. This Notice to Tenderers must be considered in the preparation of your Tender Submission.

**Clarifications – Plywood specifications CCAH3.2**

A written query has been received from one of the registered tenderer as follows:

**Tender query:**

The plywood specification calls for CCAH3.2 which during the re-drying process will leave fillet marks on the face of the board. Will this matter? If it is being used for an appearance application, maybe we should be looking at LOSP clear which does not need re-drying (so no fillet marks).

**Tender query response:**

- During the predesign for the shelter, the comments from local builders and island representative was that the LOSP treated plywood was prone to termite/bora attack. The CCAH treated plywood was advised as more successful in protection from termite/bora,
- The plywood panels are specified for the upper level ceilings only, and will be highly visible,
- The current design specification for the plywood panels calls for a clear coat semi-gloss finish. Any visible fillet marks will fade after time but will more likely be visible under a clear or stain finish.
- The tender requires the use of CCAH treated plywood. It is proposed to allow time to dry, visually inspect panels before applying finish for suitable surface appearance. Apply test coat, then recheck appearance. If not visually acceptable, the option to revise finish to a solid paint finish (colour to match Villaboard ceilings, number of coats as per manufacturers specification) will be looked at. The solid paint finish option would be considered separately as a variation to the contract if required and is not part of the tender.

Yours sincerely,

Gareth Clayton

Engineer's Representative for this contract.

**Acknowledgement:** Please countersign below and return this page via email for the attention of:

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