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Notice of motion - Cr Paul Bruce

Councillor Bruce has given notice (refer **Attachment 1**) of his intention to move the following motion at Council's meeting on 12 December 2013:

"That the Council expresses concern at the lack of information available to it regarding the potential implications of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement for the roles and responsibilities of local government in general, and the Wellington region in particular, and conditions its support for the agreement and other similar agreements on being satisfied, after effective consultations, that it complies with all the following conditions:

- 1. Continues to allow the Greater Wellington Regional Council and other Councils, if they so choose, to adopt procurement policies that provide for a significant degree of local preference; to choose whether particular services or facilities are provided in house, by council-controlled organisations (CCOs) or by contracting out; or to require higher health and safety, environmental protection, employment rights and conditions, community participation, animal protection or human rights standards than national or international minimum standards.
- 2. Does not give overseas investors or suppliers any greater rights than domestic investors and suppliers, such as special protections for investments or access to Investor-State Dispute Settlement, or reduce our ability to control overseas investment or finance;
- 3. Will be subject, before it is signed, to a full and independent social, environmental and economic impact assessment that is then opened for public submissions; and
- 4. Will not be ratified until the text has been tabled in the House and the appropriate select committees, including the Local Government and Environment Committee, have had adequate time to consider the parts that are relevant to their responsibilities, call for and hear submissions, and report back to the House on whether any amendment is required, and for a vote."