The Omaui Resident Submission Cover Letter

TO: Environment Southland / Omaui Landcare Charitable Trust

FROM: [Name], Resident/Stakeholder

SUBJECT: Formal Submission – Objection to Feline Removal Plan (Ref: SG-OMA-010)

I am writing to formally record my objection to the proposed removal of felines from the Omaui area. This plan fails to meet the standards of **Forensic Integrity** required for site-led pest management.

I submit the attached **SGI Forensic Audit Master Index (Ref: 001–012)** as evidence that:

1. **The Rat Surge Risk:** Removing felines without a verified rodent-suppression strategy triggers a documented explosion in rat populations **(Ref: SG-RAT-005)**.
2. **Lack of Site-Specific Data:** The Trust has provided no forensic proof that the 9 domestic cats in Omaui are the primary drivers of decline compared to habitat fragmentation and unmanaged stoat populations.
3. **Community Precedent:** This community already rejected this emotive-led plan in 2019. We demand a shift toward **Community Stewardship (TNR and Microchipping)** rather than lethal or forced removal.

I request that this submission and the attached Audit Index be formally tabled at the next consultation meeting.

Signed: _____