2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Dioxins, Christchurch Air Quality and Dioxin Permits

Simon Buckland from the Ministry for the Environment, Tim Mallett and James Tricker from Environment Canterbury addressed the Committee on dioxins and environment management.

Simon Buckland spoke of the international perspective, the toxicity of dioxins and the various research components before providing a comparison between the cities of Christchurch and Hamilton.

The other presentations centred on the operation of the Christchurch Airport incinerator and the compliance monitoring of resource consents which had conditions relating to dioxins and furens.

The presentation concluded with Simon Buckland speaking on matters that had been concerning the Government over recent months on this issue and the objectives of New Zealand's Dioxin Action Plan.

The Committee **decided** to await the release of the draft consultation documents before considering the matter further.

