

**Table 9335 (2026)**

**NHC**

I am advised NHC is currently defending two class actions.

I am further advised that for the approximate value of these proceedings, the individual representative claims do not exceed \$1 million. If a class progresses, the total liability would exceed \$1 million in both cases.

I refer the member to the attached table providing information on the nature of the proceedings and their current status.

| Proceeding           | Nature of proceeding                                                                                                            | Current status                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| Mathias class action | Relates to whether legal duties were owed to future purchasers of properties damaged during the Canterbury earthquake sequence. | <p>The Court has awarded security for costs to cover the initial preparation stages and confirmed the hearing date of April 2027.</p> <p>Following an application from the lawyer of the class to appeal the decision on security of costs, a decision from the Court of Appeal is pending.</p> |
| Freer class action   | Relates to whether NHC correctly calculated homeowner entitlements for increased liquefaction vulnerability land damage.        | Representative orders granted allowing the Freer's claim to proceed as a class action. A Court of Appeal hearing occurred in June 2025 on aspects of High Court's judgment, no timeframe for decision given.                                                                                    |