

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### Orion to lose the equivalent of one full time staff member

Orion will lose the equivalent of one full time employee when its after-hours contract with the Christchurch City Council ceases next month (February 2012).

As a result of the council contract ending, the work load in the Orion contact centre will drop by approximately 40 hours per week. This will see the company lose six part time employees. Three have resigned and three have taken voluntary redundancy.

There are currently 15 contact centre staff.

The company offered all of the employees' alternative shifts in the contact centre. However, these shifts did not suit three of the individuals and they subsequently chose voluntary redundancy.

Orion will likely need to recruit some additional staff to cover all shifts.

**ENDS**

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