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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form F-X

APPOINTMENT OF AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS AND UNDERTAKING

A. Name of issuer or persons filing ("Filers"):  
RURAL PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS LIMITED

B. This is (check one)  
 [ X ] an original filing for the Filers  
 [ ] an amended filing for the Filers

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(2) Check the following box if you are filing the Form F-X in paper in accordance with Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(9)  [ X ]

C. Identify the filing in conjunction with which this Form is being filed:  
Name of subject company: Rural Portfolio Investments Limited *wrightson LTD*  
Form type: Form CB  
File Number (if known): None  
Filed by: Rural Portfolio Investments Limited  
Date Filed (if filed concurrently, so indicate): Concurrently

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D. Rural Portfolio Investments Limited is incorporated under the laws of New Zealand and has its principal place of business at 10<sup>th</sup> floor, John Wickuffe House, 275 Princes Street, Dunedin, New Zealand, telephone (643) 471-8931.

E. Each Filer designates and appoints Corporation Service Company, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 3100, New York, NY 10036-2721, telephone (212) 299-5600 ("Agent") as the agent of such Filer upon whom may be served any process, pleadings, subpoenas, or other papers in:

(a) any investigation or administrative proceeding conducted by the Commission; and

(b) any civil suit or action brought against the Filer or to which the Filer has been joined as defendant or respondent, in any appropriate court in any place subject to the jurisdiction of any state or of the United States or of any of its territories or possessions or of the District of Columbia, where the investigation, proceeding or cause of action arises out of or relates to or concerns any offering made or purported to be made in connection with the securities registered or qualified by the Filer on Form CB on the date hereof or any purchases or sales of any security in connection therewith. Each Filer stipulates and agrees that any such civil suit or action or administrative proceeding may be commenced by the service of process upon, and that service of an administrative subpoena shall be effected by service upon such agent for service of process, and that service as aforesaid shall be taken and held in all courts and administrative tribunals to be valid and binding as if personal service thereof had been made.

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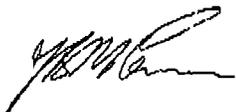
F. Each person filing this Form in connection with the use of Form CB stipulates and agrees to appoint a successor agent for service of process and file an amended Form F-X if the Filer discharges the Agent or the Agent is unwilling or unable to accept service on behalf of the Filer at any time until six years have elapsed following the effective date of the latest amendment to such Form CB.

Each Filer further undertakes to advise the Commission promptly of any change to the Agent's name and address during the applicable period by amendment of this Form, referencing the file number of the relevant form in conjunction with which the amendment is being filed.

Each filer certifies that it has duly caused this power of attorney, consent, stipulation and agreement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Wellington, New Zealand, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2004.

G. Each person filing this form undertakes to make available, in person or by telephone, representatives to respond to inquiries made by the Commission staff.

RURAL PORTFOLIO INVESTMENTS LIMITED

  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: John Baird McConnon  
Title: Director

  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Michael Craig Norgate  
Title: Director

This statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY

(Signature) 

Name: Dwight Coots  
Title: Assistant Vice President  
(Authorized Agent)

(Date): April 10, 2004