

(6173.) NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (EXCEPT POVERTY BAY) ENGINE-DRIVERS.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of the War Legislation and Statute Law Amendment Act, 1918; and in the matter of the Northern Industrial District (except Poverty Bay) Engine-drivers' award dated the 13th day of May, 1918, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xix, p. 409; and in the matter of an order amending the said award dated the 30th day of June, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 625; and of the further order amending the said award dated the 15th day of April, 1920, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xxi, p. 400.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 25th day of June, 1920, and upon hearing the duly appointed representatives of the said union and of the employers parties to the said award, this Court, having regard to all the relevant considerations and being of opinion that it is just and equitable to amend the said award, and by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Acts and of every other power in that behalf enabling it, doth hereby order that the said award shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. The said orders dated the 30th day of June, 1919, and the 15th day of April, 1920, respectively are hereby cancelled, and this order is substituted therefor.

2. Clause 5 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“5. The following shall be the minimum rates of wages to be paid to engine-drivers who are in charge of any boiler within the meaning of the Inspection of Machinery Act, 1908, and its amendments:—

“(a.) Where the work that the engine-driver is employed to do requires that he shall hold a first-class certificate as a stationary-engine driver and he is the holder of such a certificate, 15s. 2d. per day.

“(b.) Where the work he is employed to do requires that he shall hold a second-class certificate as a stationary-engine driver and he is the holder of such a certificate, 14s. 2d. per day.

“(c.) For work requiring a traction or locomotive certificate for engines moving from place to place by their own motive power, 15s. 2d. per day.

“(d.) Where any worker under this award is required to get up steam when starting work, or to bank fires when ceasing work, and this involves his working outside his ordinary working-hours, he shall be paid, in addition to the aforesaid wages the sum of 1s. per day for each day on which he is so employed.”

3. Clause 7 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“7. Where two or more shifts are worked on seven days in a week the week's work shall not exceed seven shifts of eight hours each, and the workers so employed shall be paid as follows:—

“(a.) Where the work that the engine-driver is employed to do requires that he shall hold a first-class certificate as a stationary-engine driver, and he is the holder of such a certificate, he shall be paid not less than 15s. 2d. per shift of eight hours.

“(b.) Where the work that he is employed to do requires that he shall hold a second-class certificate as a stationary-engine driver, and he is the holder of such a certificate, 14s. 2d. per shift of eight hours.

“(c.) Where the work that he is employed to do requires that he shall hold a traction or locomotive driver's certificate, and he is the holder of such a certificate, he shall be paid not less than 15s. 2d. per shift of eight hours.”

4. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day of May, 1920, and shall cease to operate upon the coming into operation of the new award.

Dated this 25th day of September, 1920.

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.