TARANAKI ELECTRICAL WORKERS (TROUBLEMEN, ETC.).— AMENDMENT OF INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENT

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Taranaki Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Emergency. Regulations 1942; and in the matter of an application for amendment of the Taranaki Electrical Workers' (Troublemen, &c.) industrial agreement, dated the 28th day of October, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3701.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942, and upon application made by a party to the Taranaki Electrical Workers' (Troublemen, &c.) industrial agreement, dated the 28th day of October, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3701, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said industrial agreement shall be amended by deleting subclause (a) of clause 4 (Wages), and substituting therefor the following subclause:—

"(a) The minimum wages under this agreement shall be as follows:----

"Troublemen 'A' license: £6 12s. 6d. per week.

"Troublemen 'B' license: £6 2s. 6d. per week.

"Troublemen 'C' license: £5 18s. 6d. per week.

"One-man substation operators: £5 16s. 8d. per week, together with free house and electricity."

2. That, for the purpose of removing doubts as to the operation of the two general orders of the Court made under the Rates of Wages Emergency Regulations 1940, and dated the 9th August, 1940, and the 31st March, 1942, respectively,

it is hereby declared that the amended rates of remuneration provided by this order shall be increased to the extent and in the manner set forth by the said two general orders of the Court.

3. That this order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April, 1945.

Dated this 10th day of August, 1945.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.

MEMORANDUM

The above amendments are being made at the joint request of the authorized representatives of the employers and workers bound by the agreement. The application of the workers included requests for amendments to certain other rates of remuneration prescribed in the agreement. Consideration of these is held over until the Court has had the opportunity of hearing the parties, unless in the meantime agreement is reached between them.

Mr. Monteith wishes to add the following comment:-

"This amendment is made in response to the request of the parties that it be made in regard to the matters they have agreed upon, and they request that the rest of the application be heard, if not settled. I am agreeing to this procedure on the assurance that this Court's view is that such procedure comes within the provisions of the regulations and will not legally bar the union from either making a new application or proceeding with the rest of its application and, on such later hearing, for a further amendment to be made if necessary."

A. TYNDALL, Judge.