

NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT ELECTRICAL WORKERS (ELECTRIC-POWER BOARDS, ETC.).—AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern 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 Northern Industrial District Electrical Workers' (Electric-power Boards, &c.) award, dated the 12th day of October, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3041.

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 Northern Industrial District Electrical Workers' (Electric-power Boards, &c.) award, dated the 12th day of October, 1938, and recorded in 38 Book of Awards 3041, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said award shall be amended by—

(i) Deleting subclause (a) of clause 2 (Wages), and substituting therefor the following subclause:—

“(a) The following shall be the minimum rates of wages:—

	Per Hour.		Per Week.		
	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
“ Inspector .. .. .	..	..	6	10	0
“ Serviceman .. .. .	..	..	6	2	6
“ Troubleman .. .. .	..	..	6	5	0
“ Meter-tester and repairer .. .. .	..	..	6	10	0
“ Meter-tester .. .. .	..	..	6	0	0
“ Meter-tester's assistant	2	9½	5	5	0
“ Meter-erector	3	0	5	13	4
“ Electric fitter's assistant	2	9½	5	5	0
“ Foreman (overhead or under-ground)	3	2	6	0	0
“ Linesmen	3	0	5	13	4
“ Linesmen's assistant	2	9½	5	5	0
“ Cable-jointer	3	0½	5	15	0
“ Cable-jointer's assistant	2	9	5	3	4
“ Cable-layer's assistant	2	8½	5	1	8”

(ii) Deleting clause 13 (Meal-money), and substituting therefor the following clause:—

“ *Meal-money*

“ 13. Employers shall provide a meal or they shall allow meal-money at the rate of 2s. per meal when workers, other than those usually so engaged, are called upon to work after

1 p.m. on Saturday and/or after 6 p.m. and/or 11 p.m. on other days, except where workers are outside borough or city areas at such meal-times, then the actual cost of the meal shall be paid by the employer: Provided always that such workers cannot reasonably get home for their meals.

“The allowance for meals provided for in this clause shall not be subject to the provisions 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.”

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, except where otherwise provided, be increased to the extent and in the manner set forth in 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 11th day of May, 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 award. The application of the workers included requests for amendments to certain other rates of remuneration prescribed in the award. Consideration of these is held over until the Court has had the opportunity of hearing the parties in Auckland, 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) at Auckland. 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.