WELLINGTON GAS CO., LTD., GASWORKS' EMPLOYEES.— AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942; and in the matter of the Wellington Gas Co., Ltd., Gasworks' Employees' award, dated the 10th day of December, 1946, and recorded in 46 Book of Awards 2017.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942, and of every other power in that behalf thereunto enabling it, this Court, for the purpose of giving effect to the pronouncement made by it on the 15th day of August, 1947, doth hereby order as follows :—

That the said award shall be amended in the manner following :-- (1) By deleting clause 3, and substituting therefor the following clause :---

" Classification and Rates of Wages

" (a) Continuous vertical retorts— " (i) Leading operator	Per Shift. £ s. d. 1 9 8, plus 2s. per shift extra.
"(ii) Other operators and fire-cleaners	
employed regularly on shift-work and	
whose work shall be interchangeable	$1 \ 9 \ 8$
"(b) Engine-drivers shall be paid the rates pro-	
vided in any award covering stationary	
and traction engine drivers for the time	
being in force.	
	Per Hour.
"(c) Day-shift workers employed in the retort	s. d.
house	$3 5\frac{1}{4}$

"(2) Day-workers: The following classes of workers shall be paid the rates prescribed in any award or industrial agreement for the time being in force covering such workers, but if not covered they shall be paid the rates hereinafter mentioned :---

- "(a) Tinsmiths, sheet-metal workers, meter-repairers, mainlaying gangers, motor mechanics, electricians, blacksmiths, loco-drivers : 3s. 7d. per hour.
- "(b) Service layers, main layers and jointers, head storemen, men employed chipping, cleaning, painting, and/or spraying steel and iron structures : 3s. 5¹/₄d. per hour.

- "(c) Loco-firemen, blacksmiths' strikers, stove-meter and other shopmen reconditioning stoves, maintenance men, complaints-men: 3s. 3³/₄d. per hour: Provided that any work defined as 'plumbing work' in the New Zealand Plumbers and Gasfitters' award shall be paid for at the rate provided in the said award.
- " (d) Showroom attendants and meter-readers : 3s. $3\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour.
- "(e) (i) Operator on mechanical coal plant: 3s. $5\frac{1}{4}d$. per hour. "(ii) Other coal-workers: 3s. $3\frac{3}{4}d$. per hour.
- "(f) (i) By-product operators: 3s. $3\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour.
 - "(ii) Operator tar-distilling plant on day work : 3s. 3³/₄d. per hour.
- "(g) Worker who is employed welding: 1s. 6d. per day or part of a day extra.
- "(h) Other workers at Miramar: 3s. $3\frac{3}{4}$ d. per hour.
- "(i) All other workers: 3s. 2d. per hour.
- "(j) Depot attendants working shifts : £1 4s. 4d. per shift.
- "(\check{k}) Working foremen shall be paid not less than the rate specified in clause 3 (2) (α) hereof.
- "(l) Workers other than tradesmen employed on tradesmen's work shall be paid the tradesmen's rates specified in clause (3) (2) (a) hereof.
- "(m) Workers required to fill an emergency vacancy in the retorthouse shall be paid 2s. $9\frac{1}{2}d$. extra for the first shift; but this shall not apply to regular relieving workers.
- " (n) Leading hand on coke stage shall be paid 5s. per week above yard worker's rates.

"(NOTE.—The foregoing rates set out in clauses (e) (ii), (f) (i) and (ii), and (h) are adjusted to include the bonus of 6s. 8d. per week previously paid to the appropriate workers at Miramar.)"

(2) By deleting clause 24 (Increase in Rates of Remuneration).

2. That this order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of October, 1947.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 1947.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.

Memorandum

This amendment gives effect to an agreement of the representatives of the parties.

The rates of remuneration prescribed in the award are *not* to be increased by the application of the provisions of the Court's general orders of 9th August, 1940, and 31st March, 1942.

A. TYNDALL, Judge.