NEW ZEALAND LOCAL BODIES' (RURAL SECTION) LABOURERS - AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern, Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, Nelson, Westland, Canterbury, and Otago and Southland Industrial Districts—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1954; and in the matter of the New Zealand Local Bodies' (Rural Section) Labourers Award, dated the 16th day of December 1969, and recorded in 69 Book of Awards p. 2766

Upon reading the application made on behalf of the industrial association of workers and industrial unions of workers parties to the New Zealand Local Bodies' (Rural Section) Labourers Award, dated the 16th day of December 1969: And upon being satisfied that the original parties are desirous that the award should be reviewed by it, The Court, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by section 162 (1) (b) of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1954, and with the consent of the said parties, doth hereby order as follows:

- 1. That the said award shall be amended in the manner following:
 - (1) By deleting subclauses (a) and (r) of clause 5 (Wages) and substituting therefor the following subclauses:
 - "(a) The minimum rates of wages payable shall be:

Weekly workers, \$42.12 per week.

The employer may at his discretion because of proficiency and experience pay a worker an additional 76 cents per week.

Casual workers, 105.3 cents per hour.

A "casual worker" is a worker employed for less than four consecutive weeks."

"(r) Workers employed full time in sewage treatment plants shall be paid not less than the following rates of wages:

Sewage plant operator .. \$46.92 per week. Sewage plant attendant .. \$43.92 per week.

A "sewage plant operator is a worker skilled in all phases of the routine maintenance and operation of a sewage treatment plant, the keeping of daily records and capable of controlling and directing the work of a sewage plant attendant and who holds a 'C' grade operator's certificate.

A "sewage plant attendant" is a worker engaged in the maintenance and assisting in the operation of a sewage treatment plant and working under the direction of a sewage plant operator. He should be capable of relieving the sewage plant operator during short periods of absence."

(2) By deleting the symbol and figures "\$37.60" in clause 7 (Permanent Workers in charge of Beaches or Motor Camps) and substituting therefor the symbol and figures "\$42.80.

- (3) By deleting the figures and words "11th day of June 1971" where they appear in the enacting sheet and in clause 35 (Term of Award) and substituting therefor in each case the figures and words "30th day of September 1971".
- 2. That this order shall come into force on the day of the date hereof, except that in so far as it relates to the rates of wages to be paid it shall be deemed to have come into force on the first day of the pay week in each establishment commencing on or after the 15th day of September 1970.

Dated this 14th day of October 1970.

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A. P. BLAIR, Judge.