

New Zealand Dairy Board—Notice of Election of Members for South Auckland, Southern, and Taranaki Wards

I, Jack Lionel Wright, Returning Officer, appointed under section 10 of the Dairy Board Act 1961, do hereby give notice of a poll to elect a member for the South Auckland Ward and a member for the Southern Ward and a member for the Taranaki Ward No. 2 on the New Zealand Dairy Board; and I do hereby give further notice that Wednesday, 18 April 1973, is the date on which the rolls of electors for these wards shall be closed, that the nominations of candidates for the election of one member for each of the said wards must be in my hands by noon on Wednesday, 16 May 1973; and that, in the event of more than one candidate being nominated in any of the said wards, a poll will be held and such poll will be closed at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, 27 June 1973.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of April 1973.

J. L. WRIGHT, Returning Officer.

Chief Electoral Office, Wellington.

Consenting to Raising of Loans by Certain Local Authorities

PURSUANT to section 3 of the Local Authorities Loans Act 1956 (as amended by section 3 (1) of the Local Authorities Loans Amendment Act 1967), the undersigned Assistant Secretary to the Treasury, acting under powers delegated to the Secretary to the Treasury by the Minister of Finance, hereby consents to the borrowing by the local authorities mentioned in the Schedule hereto of the whole or any part of the respective amounts specified in that Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Local Authority and Name of Loan	Amount Consented to \$
Havelock North Borough Council: Hawke's Bay Airport Redemption Loan 1973	1,150
Gisborne Harbour Board: Storage Silo, Wharf, and Gate Additional Loan 1972	45,000
Manawatu County Council: Rural Housing Loan 1973	100,000
Manukau City Council:	
Otara Swimming Pool Loan 1973	290,000
Manurewa Swimming Pool Loan 1973	200,000
Ohinemuri County Council: Waihi Beach Water Supply Improvement Loan 1973	27,000
Otamatea County Council: Ruawai Water Supply Supplementary Loan 1973	7,000
Taumarunui County Council: Workers Dwelling Loan 1973	15,000
Thames Borough Council: Pensioner Housing Loan 1973	24,000
Waikouaiti County Council: Rural Housing Loan No. 1, 1972	80,000
Waitemata County Council:	
Redemption Loan No. 9, 1973	42,300
Redemption Loan No. 10, 1973	55,200
Redemption Loan No. 11, 1973	10,000
Waitemata Electric Power Board: Building Loan 1972	200,000
West Coast Hospital Board: Hospital Works Loan 1973	500,000
Whangarei County Council: Housing Advances Redemption Loan 1973	8,900

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of April 1973.

S. C. PARKER, Assistant Secretary to the Treasury.

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 346—Inquiry Concerning Protection for New Zealand Industry Producing Vinyl Floor Coverings—Public Hearing

1. Following receipt by the Minister of Customs of a report from the Emergency Protection Authority concerning protection for the New Zealand industry producing vinyl floor coverings, the Minister notified the Board, in a letter dated 14 March 1973, that Government had accepted the recommendation of the Authority that a temporary additional duty of 20 percent be imposed on those floor coverings of Tariff items 39.02.081 and 59.10.011 (except tiles) which have a current domestic value not exceeding \$2.00 per square yard. However, as the goods of Tariff item 59.10.011 are on Schedule A to the NAFTA, the rate of duty will remain unchanged for these goods when they are imported from Australia.

2. In accordance with the provisions of the Tariff and Development Board Act the Minister of Customs has requested the Board to undertake a further inquiry and report on the nature and degree of protection, if any, it considers necessary to protect the New Zealand industry against imports of vinyl floor coverings now classified under Tariff items 39.02.089 and 59.10.018 (formerly Tariff items 39.02.081 and 59.10.011 respectively.)

3. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will hold a public hearing in the Hearing Room, Eighth Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 4 September 1973, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

4. Parties intending to make representations or requests about appropriate rates of customs duty are asked to take into account the statement by the Minister of Overseas Trade of 6 September 1972 about changes in the New Zealand Customs Tariff. Copies of this statement can be obtained from the undersigned. In a letter dated 6 April 1973, the Minister of Trade and Industry has indicated that, while Government has asked the Board to consider the question of a single tariff rate, for trade policy reasons the Board's recommendations on this aspect will not necessarily be made public for the time being. Parties intending to make representations or requests about the exemption from import licensing of goods at present not so exempt are asked to take into account the statement in the 1972 Financial Statement (page 19) that "the Government has also decided that where the industry is to be exempted from import licensing there should be provision in appropriate cases for a phase-out period which in general will be for up to three years".

5. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge, in typewritten form, 14 copies of public evidence and 12 copies of confidential evidence, to be presented under oath at the public hearing, at the Board's office no later than Tuesday, 14 August 1973. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Information and Guidance of Interested Parties" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the Board's office.

Dated at Wellington this 17th day of April 1973.

C. H. S. RODDEN,

Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

P.O. Box 27046, Wellington.

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 347—Inquiry Concerning Protection for New Zealand Industry Producing Rulers—Public Hearing

1. Following receipt by the Minister of Customs of a report from the Emergency Protection Authority concerning protection for the New Zealand industry producing plastic 30 cm/12 in. rulers, the Minister notified the Board, in a letter dated 14 March 1973, that Government had accepted the recommendation of the Authority that protection be afforded by a temporary restriction of imports of rulers based on a minimum f.o.b. value of \$10.50 per gross. However, in order to comply with New Zealand's obligations under the NAFTA, the temporary restriction will not be imposed against imports from Australia. The Authority considered that there was a wide area of substitutability amongst rulers of different materials and he suggested that any examination of the need for protection for the domestic industry should cover all types and sizes of rigid rulers.

2. In accordance with the provisions of the Tariff and Development Board Act, the Minister of Customs has requested the Board to undertake an inquiry and report on the form of permanent protection, if any, it considers necessary to protect New Zealand industry in relation to the importation of rulers (but not flexible measuring tapes) as classified in Tariff item Ex 90.16.009.

3. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will hold a public hearing in the Hearing Room, Eighth Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 11 September 1973, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

4. Parties intending to make representations or requests about appropriate rates of customs duty are asked to take into account the statement by the Minister of Overseas Trade of 6 September 1972 about changes in the New Zealand Customs Tariff. Copies of this statement can be obtained from the undersigned. In a letter dated 6 April 1973, the Minister of Trade and Industry has indicated that, while Government has asked the Board to consider the question of a single tariff rate, for trade policy reasons the Board's recommendations on this aspect will not necessarily be made public for the time being. Parties intending to make representations or requests about the exemption from import licensing