ORAL DECISION

We have considered the application for renewal with one or two observations we would like to make. The warrant holder has had regard to all the comments we made at the time of the last renewal, something we find to be a refreshing approach. As a result, and with its own decision making, it has had a plan of action which it has put into effect over the last 5 years. The Tribunal has noted that in accordance with approvals given by the Tribunal and amendments made to the warrant, 4XD has more than doubled the hours of broadcasting. It has extended its programme services and range and variety of programmes offered. It has provided a new signal strength and thus a better reception for listeners in the area and with the new frequency has been able to get greater audience response.

It has upgraded its equipment and vastly improved technical standards. We are pleased to note that it is now very close to the stage of complying with the technical standards laid down for radio stations. At the time we reviewed the situation 5 years ago it was a long way from being able to comply with those standards. The final steps of the installation of the generator probably mean that it is only a matter of months before it can regard itself as fully up to modern technical requirements.

The extension of the technical and engineering services must have been a considerable strain on the resources of the association which are limited but the result of a great deal of voluntary effort has been to improve a real amenity for the city of Dunedin and for the surrounding areas.

No doubt its better placed position in the spectrum and its better strength and technical standards will be reflected in the image which the station will have with the public. We are pleased to note that it has a good and firm association with the University, radio is something that can add to the community's awareness and benefit of what is happening in the Universities and this association will probably be one of several others which we imagine will develop over the next 5 years since the association has a policy of community involvement.

Despite the comments that we make about the volunteer effort that has been involved in improving the station and its output we have to say that we notice an even greater professionalism in the approach that has been taken.

The Tribunal has had no opposition at all to the application for renewal. We have pleasure in renewing the warrant for a further term of 5 years.

Signed for the Tribunal.

B. H. SLANE, Chairman.

Decision No. 6/85 Bro. 122/84

Before the Broadcasting Tribunal

In the matter of the Broadcasting Act 1976, and in the matter of an application by the Broadcasting Corporation of New Zealand for renewal of warrant AM-56/3ZE (Ashburton):

Chairman: B. H. Slane. *Member:* A. E. Wilson

Hearing: at Ashburton on 12 June 1985. Counsel: J. B. Thomson, for the applicant.

ORAL DECISION

THE Tribunal has considered the application. The Tribunal has noted that the station has since it was established more than doubled the hours of local origination and that the level now, compared with 5 years ago, marks the extent to which the station has increased its commitment and involvement in the Ashburton district community. The hours now actually exceed the minimum required by the Tribunal for Saturdays. The Tribunal has heard the evidence of Mr Hope and the letters and responses that he has attached to that evidence and forms a clear impression of a station that is reflecting the support of the community and which is providing a wide range of services which seem to be well regarded by those who listen to them. The involvement with the community and the closeness to it is of course the essence of this type of station.

The Tribunal was, as Mr Thomson will be aware, concerned that there was a period for some months last year and the end of 1983 when the BCNZ had not applied for an amendment to defer the increased hours in the third stage of the development of the station.

That of course meant that the station was for a period not complying with the undertaking it had been given at the time of the grant of the warrant.

However that was dealt with. It was regarded seriously by the Corporation and an application was filed and dealt with.

In view of the very short period involved in the delay of application, the Tribunal intends to grant the renewal of the warrant for the full period of 5 years. The warrant will be so renewed.

Signed for the Tribunal.

B. H. SLANE, Chairman.

Transport Licensing Authority Sitting

PURSUANT to sections 121, 135, 136 and 120 of the Transport Act 1962 as amended by the Transport Act (No. 2) 1983, the Christchurch Transport District and No. 9 Transport District Licensing Authority (F. H. K. Moore), gives notice of the receipt of the following applications and will hold a public sitting in the Conference Room, Transport House, corner of Montreal and Cashell Streets, Christchurch on Tuesday, 20th August 1985 commencing at 9.30 a.m. to hear evidence for or against granting them.

Amend the following Continuous Taxicab Service Licences by the addition of the special condition below:

No. 5373 G. J. Butterfield. No. 10318 A. F. Hegarty. No. 5454 P. G. and A. Reid.

The licensee may carry unaccompanied goods when his cab is hired by an individual for the express purpose of carrying an item or items of goods for and on behalf of the hirer where the hirer does not wish to accompany such goods provided, however;

- (1) hiring shall be undertaken only through the radio-telephone facilities of the Association to which the licensee belongs.
- (2) charges for these hirings shall be within accordance with the scale of taxi charges as approved from time to time by the Secretary for Transport.
- (3) Goods must be carried in the closed luggage boot.
- (4) Any one item of goods must not exceed 10 kg gross weight.
- (5) Neither the licensee or the driver nor any other person shall undertake any advertising or soliciting to encourage such hirings.

A85/Ch/260 Herbert Owen Kydd, Christchurch. Transfer Continuous Taxicab Service Licence No. 10312 from Mervyn Francis Ellens. (Simes Jacobsen & Steel, P.O. Box 753, Christchurch).

A85/Ch/261 Bernard Kevin Flood, Christchurch. Transfer Continuous Taxicab Service Licence No. 10211 from Leslie Raymond Murray. (Layburn Hodgins Rooney & Quirk, P.O. Box 795, Christchurch).

Not Before 10 a.m.

A9/85/85 Gordon Francis and Carl Francis Middleton, Rakaia. Amend Goods Service Licence No. 6939 by adding the right to carry the following class of goods with exemption from section 109 (1) of the Transport Act 1962 throughout New Zealand: Feed and equipment pertaining to race horses being transported.

A9/85/75 Donald John Clancy and Hamish Charles Stuart trading as Hamdon Tours, Christchurch. New Passenger Service Licence, with right to run a scheduled service between Christchurch and the Craigieburn Valley Ski Club and return via Highway 73.

Timetable: Seven day a week service.

Depart Christchurch 7.30 a.m. Arrive Craigieburn 9.30 a.m. Depart Craigieburn 4.30 p.m. Arrive Christchurch 6.30 p.m.

(Oldham Cullens & Co., P.O. Box 687, Christchurch). Not Before 11 a.m.

A9/85/86 Christchurch Transport Board, Christchurch. Amend the following passenger service licences in the manner following:

- (A) 1. Licence No. 07218. Sawyers Arms Road service. It is proposed to extend the existing Sawyers Arms Road service which currently terminates at Veitch Road adjacent to Sawyers Arms Road and extend it over Sawyers Arms Road and Highsted Road to terminate at Claridges Road. No timetable alteration is required.
 - Licence No. 07197. An additional trip is to be added leaving Christchurch Airport at 8.55 a.m., Ilam Road-Memorial Avenue corner at 9.02 reaching Cathedral Square at 9.25 a.m.
 - 3. Licence No. 07205. Timetable alteration delete trip from Princess Margaret Hospital at 5.05 p.m. and replace with 5.13 p.m. Arrival time in the City remains unchanged.
 - Licence No. 07195. Halswell service timetable alteration. Barrington Street 6.01 a.m. Halswell 6.22 a.m., arrive depart Halswell 6.22 a.m., Barrington Street 6.40 a.m., City 7 a.m.
- (B) Amend the special condition on each of its licences concerning timetable to read:

"Timetable: as published in the latest Christchurch Transport Board's bus timetable."