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## **TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS**

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### **TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION**

**COMMISSIONER T.J. ABEY**

**T No 10375 of 2002**

### **POLICE AWARD**

**Application by Police Association of Tasmania  
pursuant to the provisions of section 23(2)(b)  
of the Industrial Relations Act 1984  
to vary award re expense related allowances**

**HOBART**

**9.30 AM, FRIDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2002**

**HEARING COMMENCED**

**[9.30am]**

PN1

MS A. BRADFORD: I appear for the Police Association of Tasmania.

PN2

MS J. HENLEY: I appear for the Commissioner of Police.

PN3

THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you, Ms Henley. Ms Bradford, it is your application.

PN4

MS BRADFORD: Thank you, Commissioner. This application relates to expense-related allowances contained within the Police Award. The variation to the Police Award only relates to monetary amounts, the essence of the clauses remains the same. The agency has indicated it consents to the variation of the Police Award as per the application in accordance with the consumer price index adjustment calculated for the period March 2001 to March 2002. The consumer price index adjustment for the period March 2001 to March 2002 is calculated at 2.94 per cent. I seek to tender the method of calculation to arrive at the percentage claimed, together with a document down-loaded directly from the Australian Bureau of Statistics website which indicates the changes to the indices in the relevant quarters.

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THE COMMISSIONER: I will mark that as a bundle, A1.

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MS BRADFORD: The formula for determining the increase is by subtracting the previous March quarter index points of the weighted average of the eight capital cities from the current March quarter, thereby establishing the increase of 2.94 per cent. I believe the wage fixing principles are satisfied in that these expense-related allowances exist and there is the economic capacity to pay. Further I believe the application is consistent with the principles of the Commission and does not offend the requirements of section 36 of the Act relating to public interest considerations.

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I respectfully submit that the date of operation be effective from the date of decision. My colleague, Ms Henley, has informed me that the agency is able to manage the change with a minimum of bother and this concludes my submission, Commissioner. Thank you.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you, Ms Bradford. Ms Henley?

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MS HENLEY: We have no objection to that claim.

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THE COMMISSIONER: The operative date?

PN11

MS HENLEY: 13 September, if that is the date of decision.

PN12

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, well, it will be the date of decision. I can indicate that the application will be approved. There will be a decision issued granting the application operative from the beginning of the first pay period to commence on or after today. On that basis the Commission stands adjourned. Thank you.

**ADJOURNED INDEFINITELY**

**[9.35am]**

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