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TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER SHELLEY

T No 10966 of 2003

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS
(PRIVATE INDUSTRY) AWARD**

**Application pursuant to the provisions of
section 23(2)(b) of the Industrial Relations Act 1984
by the Association of Professional Engineers,
Scientists and Managers, Australia to vary the
above award re clause 2 - vehicle allowance of
Part IV - allowances**

HOBART

9.30 AM, THURSDAY, 7 AUGUST 2003

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MR D. PYRKE: I appear on behalf of the Association of Professional Engineers, Scientists and Managers, Australia.

PN2

MR J. O'NEILL: I appear for the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Limited.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you. Mr Pyrke?

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MR PYRKE: Yes, thank you, Commissioner. This is an application to vary the award in relation to vehicle allowance, specifically we seek to increase the amount of allowance that is payable in line with the formula that is set out in clause 2, Vehicle Allowance of Part IV Allowances. The current figure was inserted in October of 2001 on the basis of our application in matter T9812 of 2001. It therefore needs to be adjusted by 0.1 per cent for the 12-month period ending in March of 2002 and by 5 per cent for the 12-month period ending in March 2003. To make you comfortable about those two percentage increases I have got an exhibit here.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you. I will mark that A1.

EXHIBIT #A1 EXTRACT FROM CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

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MR PYRKE: Commissioner, this is an extract from the Australian Bureau of Statistics publication called the Consumer Price Index and it is for the March quarter of 2003. If you look over the back of the page you can see that there is a column on the left-hand side marked Transportation and that is in line with the formula that we have agreed in the award and you can see that at March 2002 the increase or the increase in the 12 months to March 2002 was 0.1 per cent and the increase in the 12 months to 2003 was 5 per cent and hence the increases we have applied in this case.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you. What operative date are you suggesting?

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MR PYRKE: Yes, I was coming to that.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Oh, right.

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MR PYRKE: I was going to say that we have consulted the TCCI about this matter and I understand that there is agreement on it. I submit that the application conforms with the wage-fixation principles and this being the case I further submit that it is consistent with the public interest. On the basis of this submission I believe it is open to you to make the order in the terms set out in the application. If you agree we ask that it happen from the first pay period commencing on or after today's date. If the Commission pleases.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you. Mr O'Neill?

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MR O'NEILL: Yes, thank you, Commissioner. TCCI does consent to the application. It is consistent with the wage-fixing principles and in the public interest and we agree with the operative date, if it pleases.

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THE COMMISSIONER: Thank you. Well, I indicate to the parties that the award will be varied in the manner sought with an operative date as the first full pay period on or after 7 August 2003 and a written decision and order will follow.

ADJOURNED INDEFINITELY

[9.35am]

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