TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Industrial Relations Act 1984

T No. 5900 OF 1995

IN THE MATTER OF an application by the Minister for Public Sector Management pursuant to section 23 of the Industrial Relations Act 1984 to vary the General Officers Award

re: Classifications

COMMISSIONER IMLACH

HOBART, 5 December 1995

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

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COMMISSIONER IMLACH: I'll take appearances.

MS D. RALLINGS: MS D. RALLINGS appearing for the Minister for Public Sector Management.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Thank you.

5 **MR K. STEVENS**: KEN STEVENS appearing for the CPSU - Community and Public Sector Union.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Thank you. Now, is it Ms Rallings or Miss Rallings.

MS RALLINGS: Ms.

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COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Ms Rallings. Proceed.

MR STEVENS: Might it be appropriate that I make a statement please, Mr Commissioner, before we proceed, and I'd like to read some notes I have if it's okay. We have some concerns - the CPSU have some concerns regarding this proposal in terms of reducing the existing award rates for employees in the sub-21 year scale that is outlined by the application in the note to the service provisions attached to this application. We had not received a copy of the proposed variations to this award until today, when on seeing the hearing listed in the 'Mercury' the assistant secretary contacted Mr Willingham and a copy was faxed to us.

In light of this we cannot support the proposed variations which quite clearly reduce existing award rates until we've had an opportunity to research the minister's application as outlined in the note to the savings provision.

We request therefore that an adjournment be granted in relation to this application so that the historical intentions as outlined can be properly considered.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Yes, thanks, Mr Stevens. What do you say to that Ms Rallings?

MS RALLINGS: Mr Commissioner, since the historical information at the back of our application is quite in-depth, I can see that the CPSU would need a fair amount of time to go through that information and on that grounds we don't object to an adjournment.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Thank you. All right. Well I'll grant the adjournment.

How much time do you think you need, Mr Stevens?

MR STEVENS: I should think two weeks would be appropriate.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Two weeks. Well we'll fit you in in two weeks if we can otherwise it will be in the new year and also we'll check to see what happened to that original information. Something is wrong somewhere.

35 MR STEVENS: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: All right? All right, we'll adjourn sine die and I'll arrange through my associate for a future date. Have you any problem with that, Ms Rallings?

MS RALLINGS: Mr Commissioner, I will not be here until January, but the minister may be able to get another representative for that time.

40 COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Yes, well the way we are -

MS RALLINGS:

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: - it will probably be January anyway.

MS RALLINGS: Okay.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: So do I take it you'd prefer to carry it yourself?

5 MS RALLINGS: Yes, Mr Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Well we'll accede to that and we'll arrange that when we

can.

MS RALLINGS: Thank you.

MR STEVENS: No, problems at all - thank you.

10 COMMISSIONER IMLACH: Good. All right, this matter is adjourned.

HEARING ADJOURNED