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*Commission to Inquire Into and Report Upon the Treatment and Disposal of Sewage in the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage District*

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General

To all to whom these presents shall come and to:

RONALD HENRY QUILLIAM, of the City of New Plymouth, New Zealand, Barrister,

THOMAS BRUCE NICOL, of the City of Sydney, New South Wales, Engineer, and

JOHN HOWARD BARNETT, of the City of Wellington, New Zealand, Public Accountant,

GREETING:

WHEREAS questions have arisen as to methods of treatment and disposal of sewage arising in the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage District and the Boroughs of Northcote, Birkenhead, Devonport, and Takapuna, and it is desirable that inquiry should be made into various methods of such treatment and disposal and into the question whether any, and, if so what, legislation is necessary or expedient in order to direct or authorize the employment of the most suitable methods:

Now therefore, I, Lieutenant-General Sir Bernard Cyril Freyberg, the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, and all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, do hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint you the said

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Thomas Bruce Nicol, and  
John Howard Barnett

to be a Commission to inquire into and report upon the following matters:—

(1) What sewerage, sewage treatment, and sludge-disposal scheme is most suitable to be adopted for the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage District.

(2) Whether the utilization in the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage District of sewage by a composting or any other process is desirable in the public interest.

(3) What, if any, amendment of the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Act, 1944, or of any other legislation, is necessary or expedient in order to direct or authorize the employment of the scheme recommended by you for adoption by the Auckland Metropolitan Drainage Board.

(4) Whether the methods of treatment and disposal of sewage at present employed for the Boroughs of Northcote, Birkenhead, Devonport, and Takapuna are the most suitable, and if not, what alternative methods should be adopted.

(5) What, if any, legislation is necessary or expedient in order to direct or authorize the employment of any alternative method of treatment and disposal of sewage recommended by you to be employed for the Boroughs of Northcote, Birkenhead, Devonport, and Takapuna.

(6) And, generally, upon any other matters arising out of the premises which may come to your notice in the course of your inquiries and which you may consider should be investigated in connection therewith, and upon any matters affecting the premises which you consider should be brought to the attention of the Government.

And in exercise of such powers and authorities as aforesaid, and with the like advice and consent, I do hereby appoint you, the said

Ronald Henry Quilliam

to be Chairman of the said Commission:

And for the better enabling you to carry these presents into effect you are hereby authorized and empowered to make and conduct any inquiry under these presents at such time and place as you deem expedient, with power to adjourn from time to time and place to place as you think fit, and so that these presents shall continue in force and the inquiry may at any time and place be resumed although not regularly adjourned from time to time or from place to place:

And you are hereby strictly charged and directed that you shall not at any time publish or otherwise disclose save to me in pursuance of these presents, or by my direction, the contents of any report so made or to be made by you or any evidence or information obtained by you in the exercise of the powers hereby conferred upon you except such evidence or information as is received in the course of a sitting open to the public:

And it is hereby declared that the powers hereby conferred shall be exercisable notwithstanding the absence at any time of any one of the members hereby appointed so long as the Chairman or a member deputed by the Chairman to act in his stead and one other member be present and concur in the exercise of such powers:

And it is hereby further declared that you have liberty to report your proceedings and findings under this Commission from time to time as you judge it expedient so to do:

And, using all due diligence, you are required to report to me in writing under your hands not later than the seventh day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, your findings and opinions on the matters aforesaid, together with such recommendations as you think fit to make in respect thereof:

And, lastly, it is hereby further declared that these presents are issued under and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908.

[L.S.] Given in Executive Council under the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand and issued under the Seal of that Dominion this 3rd day of March, 1949.

M. B. HOWARD, Minister of Health.

Approved in Council—

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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