Wai 898

**WAITANGI TRIBUNAL**

**CONCERNING** the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

**AND** the Te Rohe Pōtae District Inquiry

## DIRECTION EXTENDING COMMISSIONED RESEARCH

1. Pursuant to clause 5A of the second schedule to the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975, Craig Innes, a member of the Tribunal's staff, was commissioned on 29 November 2012 to complete an indexed document bank of copies of Crown purchase deed documents for all Crown purchases in Te Rohe Pōtae inquiry district, the deadline for which is 29 March 2013 (Wai 898, #2.3.85).

2. Mr Innes is also the sole or joint author of three commissioned reports in the Te Rohe Pōtae district inquiry (Wai 898, #A21; #A30; and #A65). Two of these reports are to be heard in the April and May 2013 hearing weeks. The researcher must prepare for these hearings and meet the filing requirements set down for the inquiry accordingly. More time is required by the author to finalise the Crown purchase deed document bank.

3. At my discretion, I may extend commissions if the services of the commissionee are temporarily reassigned to a higher priority task for the inquiry. The preparation and presentation of evidence at a hearing week must take priority over this document bank project. An extension is therefore granted. The commission will now end on 28 June 2013, by which date the final report must be presented for filing.

4. The Registrar is to send copies of this direction to:
   Craig Innes
   Claimant counsel and unrepresented claimants in the Te Rohe Pōtae district inquiry
   Director, Waitangi Tribunal
   Chief Historian, Waitangi Tribunal
   Manager Research and Inquiry Facilitation, Waitangi Tribunal
   Manager, Report Writing Services, Waitangi Tribunal
   Inquiry Supervisor, Waitangi Tribunal
   Inquiry Facilitators, Waitangi Tribunal
   Solicitor-General, Crown Law Office
   Director, Office of Treaty Settlements
   Chief Executive, Crown Forestry Rental Trust
   Chief Executive, Te Puni Kōkiri

**DATED** at Wellington this 27th day of March 2013

Judge D J Ambler
Presiding Officer
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