



UNDER

THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT 1908

IN THE MATTER OF

ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO BUILDING  
FAILURE CAUSED BY CANTERBURY EARTHQUAKES

KOMIHANA A TE KARAUNA HEI TIROTIRO I NGĀ  
WHARE I HORO I NGĀ RŪWHENUA O WAITAHA

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STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF MARIE THERESE HOLLAND IN RELATION TO THE  
CTV BUILDING

HEARING BEGINNING: 25 JUNE 2012

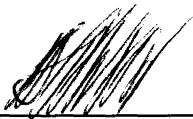
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1. My name is Marie Therese Holland. I am currently employed by Fletcher Construction Company EQR Project as a Contract Supervisor. I have been working for this company since November 2011. Between January 2010 and October 2011, I was employed as a Building Inspector by the Christchurch City Council. I hold a Bachelor of Architectural Design.
2. As part of the Christchurch City Council's earthquake response to the 4 September 2010, Boxing Day 2010, 22 February 2011 and 13 June 2011 earthquakes I was involved in carrying out rapid assessment inspections of commercial and residential buildings.
3. On the morning of the 4th of September 2010, I received a call to report to the Civil Defence Emergency Operations Centre at the Christchurch Art Gallery.
4. John Buchan, who at that time was the Council's Engineering Services Manager, gave a briefing to staff present explaining the rapid assessment inspection and placarding process. John explained that the primary focus of the level 1 rapid assessment inspections was to identify any obvious building damage and/or external hazards which could pose a danger or risk of injury to members of the public.
5. Immediately after the 4 September 2010 earthquake I was attached to a USAR team conducting rapid assessment inspections of commercial buildings. Following on from this I was part of other Civil Defence teams inspecting commercial buildings throughout the city before being reassigned to inspect residential buildings.
6. At the time of the Boxing Day 2010 earthquake I was on holiday. On the morning of 27 December 2010 I cleared a message on my cell phone asking if I was available to report for work. I travelled back to Christchurch arriving during the afternoon of 27 December 2010 and immediately reported to the Operations Centre at the Christchurch Art Gallery.
7. From 27 December to 31 December 2010 I carried out a number of rapid assessment inspections of commercial buildings as part of a Council inspection team.

8. The instructions received for carrying out the rapid inspection assessments following the Boxing Day 2010 earthquake were to use the same criteria as used during the Civil Defence Emergency for the September 2010 earthquake. That was the level 1 rapid assessment inspections were to focus on identifying any obvious building damage and/or external hazards which could pose a danger or risk of injury to members of the public.
9. I have been shown a copy of the Christchurch Eq. RAPID Assessment Form – Level 1 form with the CSR filing number of 91225552 noted on it. I can confirm that the handwriting on this form is mine except for the words 'CTV' and '219 Madras Street' (as well as the CSR filing number). I do not know who wrote the words 'CTV' and '219 Madras Street' on this form.
10. The only comment written on this assessment form refers to an overhead falling hazard from "glazing" and states "glazing if dislodged will fall into self contained balcony".
11. I do not recall conducting an assessment inspection of the CTV building although I do recall conducting assessments in the general vicinity.
12. At the end of each block of assessments, all completed rapid assessment forms were handed to the Operations Centre administration team for their action.

Dated: 5 June 2012

Signed by:



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Marie Therese Holland