Further Extension of Time Within Which Royal Commission of Inquiry into Building Failure Caused by Canterbury Earthquakes May Report

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God Queen of New Zealand and her Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:

To The Honourable MARK LESLIE SMITH COOPER, of Auckland, Judge of the High Court of New Zealand; Sir RONALD POWELL CARTER, KNZM, of Auckland, Engineer and Strategic Adviser; and RICHARD COLLINGWOOD FENWICK, of Christchurch, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering:

GREETING:

WHEREAS by Our Warrant, dated 11 April 2011*, issued under the authority of the Letters Patent of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second constituting the office of Governor-General of New Zealand, dated 28 October 1983†, and under the authority of and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, we nominated, constituted, and appointed you, the said The Honourable MARK LESLIE SMITH COOPER; Sir RONALD POWELL CARTER, KNZM, and RICHARD COLLINGWOOD FENWICK, to be a Commission to inquire into and report (making any interim or final recommendations that you think fit) upon certain matters relating to building failure caused by the Canterbury earthquakes:

AND WHEREAS by Our said Warrant you were required to report finally to His Excellency the Governor-General of New Zealand not later than 11 April 2012:

AND WHEREAS by Our Warrant, dated 7 February 2012‡, the time within which you were so required to report finally was extended to 12 November 2012:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the time and other requirements for reporting under Our said Warrant should be extended as hereinafter provided:

NOW, THEREFORE, We do by these presents extend, until the end of 30 November 2012, the time within which you are required to report finally on all matters on which you have not otherwise reported:

And We do hereby confirm Our Warrant dated 11 April 2011 and the Commission constituted by that Warrant, save as modified by these presents:

And, lastly, it is declared that these presents are issued under the authority of the Letters Patent of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second constituting the office of Governor-General of New Zealand, dated 28 October 1983, and under the authority of and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand.

In Witness whereof We have caused these presents to be issued and the Seal of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed at Wellington this 23rd day of October 2012.

Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant General The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae, Chancellor and Principal Knight Grant Companion of Our New Zealand Order of Merit, Principal Companion of Our Service Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Realm of New Zealand.

* New Zealand Gazette, 14 April 2011, No 51, page 1201
† SR 1983/225
‡ New Zealand Gazette, 9 February 2912, No. 14, page 345
Lt Gen Sir JERRY MATEPARAE, Governor-General.
By His Excellency’s Command—
Rt Hon JOHN KEY, Prime Minister.
Approved in Council—
REBECCA KITTERIDGE, Clerk of the Executive Council.