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Sleepover Wages (Settlement) (SILC Limited) Order 2012

(SR 2012/375)

Sleepover Wages (Settlement) (SILC Limited) Order 2012: revoked, on the close of 18 October 2016, pursuant to section 7(2) of the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011 (2011 No 98).

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 10th day of December 2012

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 24 of the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, and on the recommendation of the Minister of Health (made after consultation with the Minister of Labour), makes the following order.

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Changes authorised by subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Legislation Act 2012 have been made in this official reprint. Note 4 at the end of this reprint provides a list of the amendments incorporated.

This order is administered by the Ministry of Health.

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Order

1 Title

This order is the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) (SILC Limited) Order 2012.

2 Commencement

This order comes into force on 14 December 2012.

Part 1 Preliminary provisions

3 Effect

The modifications and extensions of the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011 made by this order do not affect the text of the Act but require it to be read as if it had been amended in the manner indicated in this order.

4 Interpretation

In this order,—

Act means the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011

qualifying employee means each employee of SILC Limited who lodged a claim for sleepover wages by 5 pm on 2 September 2011 in respect of a sleepover performed before 18 October 2011.

Part 2

Modifications and extensions of Part 2 of Act

Subpart 1—Extinguishing claims for sleepover wages

5 Extension of section 9 to employees of SILC Limited (certain claims for sleepover wages extinguished)

Section 9 of the Act must be read as if "or SILC Limited" were inserted after "Timata Hou".

Subpart 2—Settlement relating to SILC Limited

6 Extension of subpart 2 of Part 2 to SILC Limited

Subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Act, as modified and extended by this subpart, applies to—

- (a) SILC Limited (as employer); and
- (b) each employee of SILC Limited who performs or performed a sleepover.

7 Modification of section 19 (calculation of back wages)

For the purpose of calculating the back wages payable to each qualifying employee, the formula in section 19(1) of the Act is modified by replacing "9" with "9.29" as the multiplier for variable a.

8 Modification of section 20 (when back wages must be paid)

- (1) This clause applies instead of section 20 of the Act in relation to the entitlements of a qualifying employee for back wages.
- (2) SILC Limited must pay any back wages for a sleepover that are payable to a qualifying employee no later than 2 months after the date of commencement of this order.

9 Modification of section 21 (entitlement of employees for sleepovers performed immediately before 18 October 2011)

- (1) This clause applies instead of section 21 of the Act in relation to the entitlements of employees of SILC Limited.
- (2) In relation to a sleepover performed by an employee in the period beginning on 1 July 2011 and ending with the close of 17 October 2011, SILC Limited must pay the employee the greater of—
 - (a) the amount calculated in accordance with section 19(1) of the Act (as modified by clause 7):
 - (b) the amount that the employee would have received for that sleepover immediately before the date of commencement of this order.

- (3) SILC Limited must pay any amount payable to an employee under subclause (2) no later than 2 months after the date of commencement of this order.
- Modification of section 22(1) (entitlement to be paid minimum hourly rates for sleepovers performed on and after 18 October 2011)
- (1) This clause applies instead of section 22(1) of the Act in relation to the entitlements of employees of SILC Limited.
- (2) In relation to a sleepover performed by an employee on or after 18 October 2011, SILC Limited must pay the employee the greater of—
 - (a) an amount calculated by multiplying the number of hours in the sleepover by the relevant minimum hourly rate specified in subclause (3):
 - (b) the amount the employee would have received for that sleepover immediately before the date of commencement of this order.
- (3) The amount payable for each hour of sleepover that the employee performs during a period specified in the first column of the following table is the minimum hourly rate opposite that period specified in the second column of the following table:

Specified period

Period beginning on 18 October 2011 and ending with the close of 30 June 2012

Period beginning on 1 July 2012 and ending with the close of 30 June 2013

Minimum hourly rate

50% of the applicable minimum hourly rate

75% of the applicable minimum hourly rate

Michael Webster, for Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which comes into force on 14 December 2012, modifies and extends the operation of the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011 (the **Act**) to give effect to a settlement of litigation between SILC Limited and certain of its employees. The litigation relates to the payment of wages to employees who were permitted to sleep overnight at their workplace while on duty (**sleepover wages**).

The Act implements a settlement of similar litigation between Idea Services Limited and Timata Hou Limited and their employees (the **Idea settlement**). Subpart 1 of Part 2 of the Act extinguishes certain claims for sleepover wages in the health and disability sector, and subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Act implements the terms of the Idea settlement.

Subpart 1 of Part 2: Extinguishing claims for sleepover wages

Subpart 1 of Part 2 of the Act already applies to SILC Limited, because it applies to all employers in the health and disability sector funded through Vote Health. It extinguishes claims relating to sleepovers performed before the Act commenced, if those claims were lodged after 5 pm on 2 September 2011. Claims filed before that time are preserved. Section 9 of the Act extinguishes claims by employees of Idea Services Limited and Timata Hou Limited for sleepover wages, including those that would otherwise have been preserved. *Clause 5* extends the effect of section 9 of the Act to employees of SILC Limited and will have the effect of extinguishing existing claims for sleepover wages that were lodged by its employees before 5 pm on 2 September 2011.

Subpart 2 of Part 2: Settlement relating to SILC Limited

Clause 6 extends the effect of subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Act (which implements the Idea settlement) to SILC Limited and its employees, but with certain modifications that are set out in *clauses 7 to 10*.

Clause 7 modifies section 19 of the Act, which sets out how back wages for sleepovers must be calculated. The formula in section 19 involves multiplying the applicable minimum hourly rate by 9, which represents the number of hours of a sleepover performed by employees of Idea Services Limited and Timata Hou Limited. The formula in section 19 is amended so that the applicable minimum hourly rate will instead be multiplied by 9.29 to represent the number of hours of a sleepover performed by employees of SILC Limited.

Clause 8 modifies section 20 of the Act, which sets out when back wages must be paid. It provides that back wages due to employees of SILC Limited must be paid no later than 2 months after the date of commencement of this order.

Sections 21 and 22 of the Act provide for a staged progression towards the minimum hourly wage payable under the Minimum Wage Act 1983. *Clause 9* modifies section 21 of the Act, which sets out an employee's entitlements for sleepovers performed between 1 July 2011 and 17 October 2011 (being the date immediately before the commencement of the Act), and when those entitlements must be paid. The amount due to employees of SILC Limited for sleepovers performed during the time must be calculated in accordance with the formula in section 19 of the Act (as modified by *clause 7*) unless the employee is being paid a higher rate on the date that this order comes into force, in which case that higher rate applies. The modification also provides that the amount due to employees of SILC Limited for sleepovers performed during this time must be paid no later than 2 months after the date of commencement of this order. Section 28(c) of the Act permits this modification only if the relevant Minister is satisfied that the proposed period has been agreed to by a simple majority of the employer's employees. The Minister has indicated that he is so satisfied.

Clause 10 modifies section 22(1) of the Act, which sets out how sleepover wages are to be calculated for sleepovers performed after the commencement of the Act by those employees to whom subpart 2 of Part 2 of the Act applies. The section imple-

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ments a staged progression towards payment of the full minimum hourly wage payable under the Minimum Wage Act 1983. The effect of *clause 10* is to modify the staged progression set out in the Act in 2 respects. First, the period of time during which an employee of SILC Limited must be paid at least 75% of the applicable minimum hourly rate is extended to the close of 30 June 2013. Secondly, the clause provides that if an employee of SILC Limited would have received an amount greater than that specified in the Act before the commencement of this order, he or she will be entitled to be paid that greater amount.

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Reprints notes

1 General

This is a reprint of the Sleepover Wages (Settlement) (SILC Limited) Order 2012 that incorporates all the amendments to that order as at the date of the last amendment to it.

2 Legal status

Reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by any amendments to that enactment. Section 18 of the Legislation Act 2012 provides that this reprint, published in electronic form, has the status of an official version under section 17 of that Act. A printed version of the reprint produced directly from this official electronic version also has official status.

3 Editorial and format changes

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4 Amendments incorporated in this reprint

Sleepover Wages (Settlement) Act 2011 (2011 No 98): section 7(2)