

Appointment of Coal Trade Committee and of Minister in Charge under the Coal Trade Regulations.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

WHEREAS by the War Regulations Amendment Act, 1916, it is enacted that the Governor in Council may by regulations make such provisions as, having regard to the exigencies of the present war or the conditions created thereby, he thinks advisable for the maintenance of industries essential for the public welfare: And whereas in pursuance of such authority certain regulations entitled the Coal Trade Regulations have been made on the fifth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, for the control of the supply of coal: And whereas provision is made therein for the administration of those regulations by a member of the Executive Council nominated by the Governor in that behalf, and hereinafter referred to as the Minister in Charge: And whereas it is expedient that a Committee should be appointed to exercise advisory powers with respect to the administration of the said regulations by the Minister in Charge:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare that

ARTHUR MIELZINER MYERS, Esquire,

being a member of the Executive Council, shall be charged during my pleasure with the administration of the said Coal Trade Regulations. And I do hereby appoint

ALFRED HENRY MILES, Esquire, of Wellington;

ALEXANDER MACINTOSH, Esquire, of Wellington; and

GEORGE WILSON, Esquire, of Wellington;

to hold office during my pleasure as a Committee to be known as the Coal Trade Committee, and to exercise and perform the powers, functions, and duties herein set forth in accordance with the following provisions, that is to say:—

1. The said Alfred Henry Miles shall be the Chairman of the Committee.
2. Meetings of the Committee shall be held at such times and places as the Chairman may appoint, and at any such meeting two members shall form a quorum.
3. The decision of a majority of the members of the Committee present at any such meeting shall be the decision of the Committee.
4. The functions of the Committee shall be to inquire from time to time, at the request of the Minister in Charge, into all matters relative to the production, importation, exportation, supply, purchase, sale, distribution, carriage, storage, and use of coal so far as such matters fall within the scope of the Coal Trade Regulations, and into all matters arising out of the administration of those regulations, and from time to time to advise the said Minister as to all such matters as aforesaid.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this fifth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

J. ALLEN,
Minister of Defence.