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Inquiries (Public Inquiry into Earthquake Commission) Order 2018

Portfolio Earthquake Commission

On 8 November 2018, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

1 noted that on 12 September 2018, the Cabinet Appointment and Honours Committee:

1.1 agreed that a Public Inquiry into the Earthquake Commission’s approach to the Canterbury earthquake events be established under section 6(1)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2013, to ensure that lessons are learnt from these past Canterbury earthquake experiences and the Earthquake Commission has the appropriate policies and operating structures in place to ensure improved claims management experiences in the future;

1.2 approved the terms of reference for the Public Inquiry, including that it will conclude on 30 June 2019;

1.3 agreed that the Inquiry comprise of one member and noted that the Minister intends to recommend to the Governor-General the appointment of Dame Silvia Cartwright; and

1.4 noted that Budget 2018 allocated funding of $3.2 million for the Inquiry and that a daily fee of $1,400 was agreed with the Minister of State Services;

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2 noted that the Inquiries (Public Inquiry into Earthquake Commission) Order 2018 will give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above;

3 noted that a waiver of the 28-day rule has been sought:

3.1 so that the Order in Council can come into force immediately following its publishing in the Gazette on the grounds that the Order will confer only benefits on the public;

4 agreed to waive the 28-day rule so that the Order can come into force on 16 November 2018;
5  **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Inquiries (Public Inquiry into Earthquake Commission) Order 2018 [PCO 21473/6.0].

Vivien Meek
Committee Secretary

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