



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO:

THE HONOURABLE SIR LAURENCE STREET, AC, KCMG

GREETING:

WHEREAS it is desired to have an inquiry into certain aspects of the administration of the Civil Aviation Authority (the Authority), in particular in relation to any person (whether incorporated or unincorporated), or body of persons, trading as Seaview Air or any related business (Seaview Air):

NOW THEREFORE We do by these Our Letters Patent issued in Our name by Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia on the advice of the Federal Executive Council and in pursuance of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the *Royal Commissions Act 1902* and other enabling powers, appoint you to be a Commissioner to inquire into:

- (a) the operations of the Authority in connection with:
 - (i) the appropriateness of decisions and administrative actions of officers of the Authority relating to the operations of Seaview Air during 1994 (and earlier if necessary), including its upgrading to a Regular Public Transport (RPT) operator;
 - (ii) the diligence and propriety with which officers of the Authority discharged their responsibilities relating to the safety of Seaview Air operations;
 - (iii) the effectiveness of the management systems within the Authority, and communication between its various levels, as they related to Seaview Air; and
- (b) the implications of the findings under paragraph (a) necessary to ensure total propriety in air safety administration.

AND We require you as expeditiously as practicable to make your inquiry and, not later than 27 February 1995, to furnish to Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia the report of the results of your inquiries and such recommendations as you consider appropriate.

WITNESS the Honourable William George Hayden,
Companion of the Order of Australia, Governor-General of the
Commonwealth of Australia on 25-10-94

Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Minister for Transport
for the Prime Minister