

[Legal Notice No. 52]

THE MINES AND MINERALS ACT 1990
(No. 3 of 1990)

THE MINES AND MINERALS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS
1997

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 80 of the Mines and Minerals Act, 1990, I, DAVID V. VOUGA, Minister of Energy, Mines and Minerals, do hereby make the following regulations -

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Regulations 1997.

2. Regulation 3 of the Mines and Minerals Regulations 1996 is hereby amended in the following respects -

(a) by deleting subparagraph 14(c) and substituting therefor the following new subparagraph (c) -

" (c) in the case of a mining lease or a building materials permit, cause negotiation to be conducted with the applicant on matters relating to the terms and conditions of such lease, or building materials permit and on the conclusion of such negotiations, issue to the applicant a mining lease or building materials permit, as the case may be on the terms and conditions agreed upon."

(b) by renumbering paragraph (15) as regulation 3B and adding immediately before the paragraph so renumbered the following new regulation as regulation 3A -

"Special site right, road access licence, etc.

3A. (1) In the case of an application for a special site right, or road access licence, the Director shall, except where the land in question is declared a public road under the Roads Act, cause negotiations to be conducted with the land owners in the area in respect of which the application has been made and on the conclusion of such negotiations require that it be reduced to writing in the form of an agreement.

(2) Where an agreement has been reached pursuant to sub regulation (1) the Director shall subject to the provisions of the Act and regulations issue to such applicant the relevant licence on such terms and conditions as he may deem necessary."

Dated at Honiara this seventh day of April 1997.

DAVID V. VOUZA
Minister of Energy, Mines and Minerals
