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IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
HAMILTON REGISTRY

M. 344/84

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BETWEEN TAYLOR AND JOURDAIN  
LIMITED Appellant

A N D MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT  
Respondent

Offence: Operating a motor vehicle when a Distance  
Licence was not displayed

Dealt with: 20 August 1984 At: Te Awamutu  
By: F.F.Latham DCJ

Sentence: \$500

Appeal Hearing : 7 November 1984

Oral Judgment: 7 November 1984

Counsel: M.H.McIvor for appellant  
P.J.Morgan for respondent

Decision: APPEAL DISMISSED

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(ORAL) JUDGMENT OF BISSON, J.

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The appellant was convicted in respect of an offence under the Road User Charges Act 1977 for operating a motor vehicle when a distance licence was not displayed. The appellant has appealed against a sentence by way of a fine of \$500.

In mitigation, Mr McIvor for the appellant has stated that, although the licence was not displayed in the manner required by the act, it was on a removable clip system on the dashboard of the vehicle visible through the windscreen, this system being adopted because of vandalism at the yard resulting in papers being lost. At the time the appellant was operating a logging truck with a 14 tonne licence which needed a 16 tonne licence as its load was 15.7 tonnes.

