



# **Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016 Commencement Order 2017**

Patsy Reddy, Governor-General

## **Order in Council**

At Wellington this 24th day of January 2017

Present:

The Right Hon Bill English presiding in Council

This order is made under section 2 of the Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016 on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council.

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## **Order**

### **1 Title**

This order is the Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016 Commencement Order 2017.

**2 Commencement of Part 2 of Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016**

Part 2 of the Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016 comes into force on 24 February 2017.

Michael Webster,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

**Explanatory note**

*This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This order brings Part 2 of the Patents (Trans-Tasman Patent Attorneys and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2016 (the **amendment Act**) into force on 24 February 2017. On that date, all of the provisions of the amendment Act will have commenced.

The main effect of Part 2 of the amendment Act is to provide for a joint registration regime with Australia for patent attorneys.

To avoid doubt, Part 2 will come into force at the beginning of 24 February 2017 (*see* section 10(1) of the Interpretation Act 1999). That means Part 2 will come into force before the close of that day, when it would otherwise have expired (*see* section 2(3) of the amendment Act).

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2012.

Date of notification in *Gazette*: 26 January 2017.

This order is administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment.