



MINISTER FOR WAR ORGANIZATION OF INDUSTRY.

BOX 2831AA., G.P.O.,  
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Mr. Watkins,

11 DEC 1944

Your representations on behalf of Mr. A. C. Boddy, of 273 Beaumont Street, Hamilton, who is desirous of obtaining permission to build a home, have been given careful and sympathetic consideration.

I have ascertained that Mr. Boddy is the owner of a cottage at Hamilton where apparently he is living at present, and is desirous of building another house at Fennell's Bay, Toronto, with a floor area of over 1,300 square feet, which he estimates will cost only £324 in addition to some of his own labour.

As you are aware, the present position in regard to building resources is extremely acute owing to the heavy demands which have been made for defence and other works of national importance. For this reason it is possible at the present time to issue permits only in those cases where the circumstances are unusual and the building of additional accommodation is essential to provide a dwelling for families which are living under unsatisfactory conditions or, for example, where accommodation is needed in connection with plans for increased rural production.

In the circumstances therefore, and as it would appear that Mr. Boddy is reasonably accommodated, I feel that his case is not such as would justify the issue of a permit.

Yours sincerely,

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