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### MONTAGUE TO HAWATT

**MONTAGUE**            **JIM MONTAGUE**  
**HAWATT**                **MICHAEL HAWATT**

HAWATT:                Jim.

MONTAGUE:            Hey Michael how are you?

HAWATT:                Good how's it going?

MONTAGUE:            Alright – alright, what's up?

HAWATT:                Listen I've got something interesting, a – a different angle for you.

MONTAGUE:            Yeah what's that?

HAWATT:                How would you like to be the Administrator?

MONTAGUE:            Where?

HAWATT:                For the two councils.

MONTAGUE:            Oh absolutely.

HAWATT:                I think it will be the fuckin best thing we could ever think of.

MONTAGUE:            Yeah but how can we arrange that?

HAWATT:                I'm working on it. It's a – I want to ask you first if you are interested alright.

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MONTAGUE: Absolutely.

HAWATT: (INAUDIBLE) okay, what – what we need to do then you know how you're talking about retiring alright –

MONTAGUE: Yeah.

HAWATT: - so what we need to state, and I'm not sure you if you can do that in your submission, in your thing that, you know you are – you're planning on – on retiring –

MONTAGUE: Yeah.

HAWATT: - oh don't – don't say – just say and if – if it's available you will retire and be – and get re-appointed as an Administrator you're willing to – to work on that basis, alright?

MONTAGUE: Okay yeah that sounds alright.

HAWATT: I think that will be much better that way you stay in complete control –

MONTAGUE: Yeah.

HAWATT: - alright, but – but this is very confidential Jim.

MONTAGUE: Oh of course Michael of course.

HAWATT: I – I swear no one no Pierre, no – nobody is to know.

MONTAGUE: No I – I won't breathe a word to anyone mate don't worry about that.

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HAWATT: No – no this is serious because I spoke to somebody today and – and then I – talking about the – the forms and he says he’s got to go a see the Minister and then I thought about it, I said listen he says you got anyone in mind? I thought shit what’s wrong with Jim Montague I said yeah our general manager, he says oh, but he’s – he’s I said no he’s gonna – he’s thinking of retiring so if he retires early we put him on as the Administrator can you lobby the Minister, he said yes I can.

MONTAGUE: Okay sounds alright to me mate.

HAWATT: (INAUDIBLE) it sounds very good actually this would be – it will make everybody feel much, I mean, personally I think it would be the best thing for you. That way you –

MONTAGUE: (INAUDIBLE)

HAWATT: - (INAUDIBLE) you’re still in control.

MONTAGUE: Yeah.

HAWATT: (INAUDIBLE) control. And – and yeah I think it’s a good – good thing I think (INAUDIBLE) –

MONTAGUE: So do I. So I retire and then come back as Administrator is that how it works?

HAWATT: Absolutely.

MONTAGUE: That would suit me down to the ground yeah.

HAWATT: I think that would suit you one hundred percent.

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MONTAGUE: Yep that would be good.

HAWATT: Okay so when you put your – have you received that letter yet for yourself?

MONTAGUE: Yes I – I got it – I got it this afternoon.

HAWATT: Okay (UNINTELLIGIBLE) what you – you need to put in that look you're – you – you don't want to be the GM alright, and you'll give it to Matt Stewart –

MONTAGUE: Matt Stewart.

HAWATT: - or whatever.

MONTAGUE: Yeah.

HAWATT: But however you are willing to – to retire early if necessary –

MONTAGUE: Mm.

HAWATT: - alright to take the appointment as an Administrator and you're interested in the Administrator's position.

MONTAGUE: Okay, well you get your people lobbying mate and that's exactly what I'll do.

HAWATT: I'll – I'll t – I'll – I'll talk to the Ministers and I'll talk to the MP's that I know and one – one of them's going to see the Minister on – next week I'm gonna catch up with him on Monday.

MONTAGUE: Okay.

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HAWATT: And I need a copy – I need a copy of your – your application if you can (INAUDIBLE) –

MONTAGUE: Yep done, alright Michael yep thank you.

HAWATT: ‘Cause I’m gonna give a copy of mine, I’ll give a copy of yours, but please Jim please please, please –

MONTAGUE: Oh look mate don’t – don’t – don’t think about it (INAUDIBLE) –

HAWATT: Not a soul – not a soul.

MONTAGUE: (INAUDIBLE) it’s all done.

HAWATT: Okay then, alright then.

MONTAGUE: Okay alright thanks mate.

HAWATT: (UNINTELLIGIBLE) thanks bye –

MONTAGUE: Bye.

HAWATT: Bye.

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