some branch of forestry;

- (d) submitted in writing a Curriculum Vitae and a Supporting Statement. Council may require an interview with the applicant;
- (e) submitted in writing two References from current or past employers, or colleagues of some standing, which manifest the applicant's allegiance to the Institute's Code of Ethics;
- (f) in the opinion of Council, achieved eminence in the profession.

A Fellow shall be entitled to use the title 'Fellow' and the letters 'FNZIF' after his/her name.

Members are invited to:

- nominate suitable persons to Council for invitation to the membership class 'Honorary Member', and
- nominate eligible members for the distinction of 'Fellow' and assist them with (the process of) Application (CV, Supporting Statement and References), to be submitted to Council.

Nominations should be submitted to Council, preferably by 20 December and close on 31 January.

Recommendations for Honorary Membership shall be brought by Council to the AGM for election. Announcement shall also be made at the AGM of awards of the distinction 'Fellow'.

Any enquiries may be made to the Council Secretariat, the Vice President, Paul Smale or Steve Croskery at PO Box 128, Masterton — Email scroskery@fel forest.co.nz

Steve Croskery Councillor

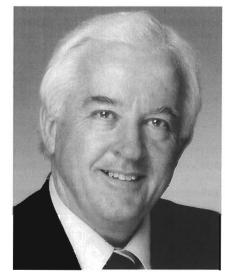
New Honorary Member of Institute

Bill Cleghorn was unanimously elected Honorary Member of the NZ Institute of Forestry at the 1998 AGM in Wanganui. The award of Honorary Membership was made in recognition of the outstanding service that Bill has provided to the NZIF over the last 10 years.

Bill Cleghorn, a Registered Valuer and long-standing member of the NZ Institute of Valuers, was appointed to the Consultants Committee by Council in 1988 as an "independent member of another professional body". He continued as a member of the Consultants Committee until 1996 at which time he became a member of the Registration Board which replaced it. Bill continues to serve on the Registration Board.

Consultants who have come before the Consultants Committee and Registration Board over the last 10 years will recall Bill's probing questions on land issues related to forestry. Not all applicants will have enjoyed the experience but all will have learnt from it. Fellow Committee and Board members have also benefited greatly from his professional experience. Chairmen have appreciated the wise counsel he has provided.

Bill's contribution to the NZIF has extended well beyond his direct membership of the Consultants Committee and Registration Board. He was a member of the working party which developed the new Registration Scheme and a representative of the Registration Board in the recent revision



Bill Cleghorn

of the Code of Ethics. Through these activities Bill has made a major contribution to the NZIF as it has sought to enhance professional standards.

Bill's contribution has been based on his 35 year membership of the NZ Institute of Valuers which has included terms as national Vice President and Education Board Chairman. (In 1996 Bill was awarded the Queens Service Medal in recognition of his services to the community.) The NZIF has been very fortunate to have had the benefit of his experience.

Indigenous Forest Policy

Early this month NZIF President, Peter Berg, and Vice-President, Paul Smale, travelled to Wellington to meet with the Hon. David Carter, Associate Minister of Food, Fibre, Biosecurity and Border Control. The purpose of the meeting was to open the dialogue between Government and the Institute and to emphasise that the Institute is an independent body of professional individuals and we are therefore in an ideal position to give an unbiased opinion on forestry related issues. The Minister was presented with a copy of our recently released Indigenous Forest Policy and showed genuine interest in the document. He was keen to know whether we would be making a submission on Timberlands West Coast's Beech Management Plan and was advised that in fact our Indigenous Forest Policy would be the basis on which our submis-



Peter Berg (on the left) presenting the Indigenous Forest Policy to David Carter (on the right).

sion was being prepared. Policy would be the basis on which our submission was being prepared. Other points of discussion were Biosecurity and both our Valuation and Investment standards, copies of which were also left with the Minister.