AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

Circular: 114/19

Ref: Coal EA Update

30/10/2019



Dear Members,

The Coal Enterprise Agreement is currently sitting with the Fair Work Commission. Aurizon lodged the Agreement on 3 August 2019. The Commission sought clarification from Aurizon on a small number of matters that related to Rail Operators and Maintenance workers. No undertakings were sought by the commission in regards to Traincrew clauses.

At this point, we are in the hands of the Fair Work Commission. All that the company and the unions involved can do is await formal approval. The Commission website states approximately 8-12 weeks for EA's that require undertakings as your 2019 EA needed. Given this approximate timeline, we hope that your new EA is endorsed in the very near future.

Once it has been approved by the FWC, your new terms and conditions commence 7 days from that date and the back pay totals will be finalised at that point also. It is expected that the back pay amount will be paid within 14 days of certification.

For more information please contact your state office on 3844 9163 or statesecretary@afule.org.au

In Solidarity,

Michael McKitrick State Secretary