

# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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## Bulk Bargaining Update

Dear members,

Last week we engaged in more bargaining for your upcoming Enterprise Agreement. These discussions centred on rostering and *agreements in principle* were made on a range of rostering conditions including;

- 18 RDO's for all Bulk drivers (AER currently have 17)
- Minimum of 0600hrs start after RDO's and for leave approved before the posting of the Forecast roster (Freight currently have a midnight hard shoulder)
- The removal of AFD windows
- Hours worked beyond your rostered shift (shift extensions) paid at 170%
- 100% of depot known working are to be in the Master and Forecast roster
- Forecast roster being posted every Friday to cover the following fortnight with only 3+/- hours of movement into the daily roster
- Day of ops – a maximum of 1 hour lift up and up to 3 hours lay back (more by agreement)
- One link in every 10 on the master roster will be blank with the exception of RDO's to cover leave
- Daily roster being posted with 33 hours-notice for all Traincrew
- RDO workings cancelled within the 33 hour roster period are paid in full

Although some good ground has been made by your representatives at the bargaining table, there is still a long way to go before we reach a position that we believe is worthy of endorsing for your new EA. We are dedicated to reaching an Agreement ASAP but will also be using our time wisely to ensure the best possible outcomes.

Further bargaining will be taking place over the following weeks with "core" bargaining (conditions affecting all employees covered by the Bulk or Coal EA's) taking place today and this Friday, I will be sure to keep you updated on proceedings.

Please contact your state office on 3844 9163 or [statesecretary@afule.org.au](mailto:statesecretary@afule.org.au) for further information.

In Solidarity,

Michael McKittrick  
State Secretary