AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

28 November 2104

CIRCULAR: 18/14 Ref: Aurizon Agreement



Dear Traincrew

AFULE MAKE APPLICATION FOR A PROTECTED ACTION BALLOT

On Thursday 13 November, I wrote to Aurizon requesting they come back to the negotiating table with our delegates to genuinely attempt to negotiate a new agreement.

As the AFULE Divisional was sitting on Thursday 27 November and Friday 28 November, I requested a reply from Aurizon no later than close of business 25 November 2014, so I could table their response as an agenda item at Council.

Aurizon failed to respond to our request by the designated date. After deliberating on Aurizon's failure to respond to the AFULE's request to continue bargaining, Council resolved to make an application to the FWC for a protected action ballot. The application was submitted on Thursday 27 November 2014.

The AFULE being the majority Traincrew Union in Aurizon, Queensland will still attempt to negotiate an agreement which will deliver fair wages and conditions for our members.

Further updates will be circulated.

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We will keep you updated on this issue.

Yours Fraternally

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