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## s.156 – 4 yearly review of modern awards – Group 4 Exposure Awards – Electrical, Electronic and Communications Contracting Award and Plumbing and Fire Sprinklers Award

Dear President Ross,

On 17th August 2018, Fire Protection Association Australia (FPA) made submissions before the Fair Work Commission in relation to the proposal of introducing a new Shift Work clause into the *Electrical, Electronic and Communications Contracting Award*. During those proceedings, FPA indicated to the Commission that it would seek discussions with respective parties in relation to this matter. Meetings took place on Monday 20th August and 21st August 2018.

Following a review of those discussions, FPA submits that it will not pursue the introduction of a separate shift work clause in either Award. In making this submission, should any party seek to follow through with such a proposition as suggested by Fire Protection Association Australia, then that would be supported. However, in withdrawing its proposal for a separate shift work clause in both the *Electrical, Electronic and Communications Contracting Award* and the *Plumbing and Fire Sprinklers Award*, Fire Protection Association Australia reserves its rights pursuant to ss. 157 and 158 of the *Fair Work Act* to pursue this matter in both Awards at some future time.

Yours sincerely,

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