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Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2016 1:48 PM
To: Chambers - Watson VP
Cc: Sophie Ismail; 'Julian Arndt'
Subject: AM2015/1 Family and Domestic Violence Clause - proposed schedule for hearing
Importance: High

Dear Richard,

We refer to the above matter, which is listed for hearing before a Full Bench on 1 – 2 December 2016.

The Australian Council of Trade Unions (**ACTU**) and the Australian Industry Group (**Ai Group**) have participated in productive discussions regarding the scheduling of the aforementioned hearing. Having regard to correspondence received by the Commission from interested parties indicating an intention to make closing oral submissions, it would appear that the following organisations will seek to be heard:

- The ACTU;
- The Victorian Government,
- Ai Group,
- The Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (**ACCI**); and
- The Australian Meat Industry Council.

Having regard to the aforementioned list and the best estimates of the advocates appearing for the ACTU, Ai Group and ACCI as to the time required to make closing submissions, the ACTU and Ai Group agree that the matter ought to proceed as follows:

- That the hearing on 1 December 2016 be relisted to commence at 2pm;
- That the ACTU, followed by the Victorian Government, make its submissions at that time;
- That respondent parties make their reply submissions commencing at 10am on 2 December 2016;
- That the ACTU make its final responsive submission thereafter.

The ACTU and Ai Group are of the view that the matter can efficiently be completed in the manner proposed and respectfully request that Commission adopt the proposed course of action. The proposal has been developed specifically with the intent of providing both parties with an adequate opportunity to consider and respond to the written submissions filed and oral submissions to be made.

We understand that ACCI does not oppose our proposal.

Kind regards,
Ruchi.

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