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Re: AM2014/196 and AM2014/197 Casual Employment and Part-time Employment – witness list for July hearings

Background

- 1. In correspondence dated 9 June 2016 the Commission directed parties affected by the witness list for the hearings scheduled for 11 15 July 2016 to do the following:
 - Identify or confirm witnesses required for cross-examination; and
 - Identify or confirm the availabilities, location and whether a video-link is required for any witness.
- 2. The relevant information for The Australian Workers' Union (AWU) appears below.

Initial point - error in the witness list

- 3. The witness list currently indicates that the statement of Kim Shepherd¹ dated 19 February 2016 has been withdrawn.
- 4. The AWU has not intentionally withdrawn the witness statement of Mr Shepherd and we still intend to call him as a witness during the July hearings.

Additional witnesses withdrawn

- 5. Our understanding is the National Farmers' Federation (NFF) is withdrawing the following witness statements:
- Nicole Jolley

¹ See https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/sites/awardsmodernfouryr/common/AM2014196-197-sub-AWU-220216.pdf at Attachment 2

- Kimberley Pearsall
- Chris Schreurs

Witnesses for cross-examination

6. The AWU confirms the following witnesses are required for crossexamination:

National Farmers' Federation

Pastoral Award 2010 – claim to reduce minimum engagement for part-time and casual employees in the dairying industry

- Noel Campbell
- Leigh Shearman
- Susan Wearden

Horticulture Award 2010 – reply witnesses concerning the AWU's claim for casual overtime penalties and the ACTU common claims

- Alice De Jonge
- Brock Sutton
- Christopher Schreurs
- Donna Mogg
- John Dollison
- Lachlan Donovan
- Steve Chapman
- Andreas Rehberger
- Brendan Miller
- Clint Edwards
- Kylie Collins
- Rhonda Jurgens
- Tracey McGrogan

Costa Group

Horticulture Award 2010 – reply witnesses concerning the AWU's claim for casual overtime penalties and the ACTU common claims

- Peter McPherson
- Richard Roberts

South Australian Wine Industry Association

Wine Industry Award 2010 - claim to reduce the casual minimum engagement

- Jeremy Dineen
- Steven Todd
- Richard van Ruth
- Kirsty Balnaves
- Fred Peacock

Availability of AWU witnesses

7. The AWU witnesses are all available for cross-examination on 11 July 2016 at the following locations:

Horticulture Award

Adam Algate: MelbourneKeith Ballin: BrisbaneRon Cowdrey: Sydney

Pastoral Award – dairying minimum engagement

• Kim Shepherd: Melbourne

• Mark Bell: Melbourne

Wine Industry Award

Adam Algate: MelbourneRon Cowdrey: SydneyMahmut Melkic: Perth

8. We note Mr Algate, Mr Ballin, Mr Cowdrey and Mr Shepherd are all travelling significant distances to attend at these capital city locations.

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