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4 Yearly Review of Modern Awards Group 4C Awards – Construction Awards

Dear Associate

HIA refers to the conference of interested parties held on Wednesday 6 of July.

Specifically, we note the discussion in relation to further conciliation on the content of the construction award Exposure Drafts.

A number of employer parties were under the impression that the preferred course was to delay the filing of submissions in reply to the Exposure Drafts until further conciliation had occurred. To that end a further date (in addition to that scheduled on 19 July) of 26 July has been set aside for such a purpose.

However, in accordance with the Statement and Directions dated 10 May, submissions in reply are due by 21 July with hearings tentatively scheduled for late August. HIA would seek some guidance from his Honour in relation to revising those directions in light of the above outlined course of action.

HIA has had some discussion with other employer groups and would put forward the following proposed timetable:

- Submissions in reply on the technical and drafting issues in relation to the construction exposure drafts by 16 August 2016.
- Hearings in late September.

If the Commission is not minded to adopt these timeframes, HIA respectfully suggests that the current directions as outlined in the 10 May Statement be vacated and further programming be discussed at the conference to be held on 19 July.

Yours sincerely

HOUSING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION LIMITED

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Adler', written in a cursive style.

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Executive Director – Workplace Relations