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Sent: Monday, 19 December 2016 3:09 PM

To: Chambers - Watson VP

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Subject: RE: Timetabling - AM2015/2 - Four yearly review of modern awards - Family friendly work arrangements

Dear Associate,

We refer to the above matter and correspondence sent by the ACTU on 19 December 2016. We understand that the ACTU is seeking various changes to the directions issued by the Commission on 30 November 2015 in relation to this matter, including an extension of time to file its submissions and evidence by a period of two months.

The Australian Industry Group (**Ai Group**) has participated in multiple discussions with the ACTU regarding the changes it seeks. We oppose various elements of the amended directions it has proposed.

We respectfully request that the matter be called on for mention/directions before the Commission, for the purposes of dealing with the ACTU's application. Given the significant nature of the variations sought by the ACTU, we consider that it is appropriate that the Commission provide Ai Group and any other interested party with an opportunity to be heard in this regard.

Kind regards,
Ruchi.

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