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4 Yearly Review of Modern Awards

AMOD Team

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Dear AMOD,

AM2016/35 Abandonment of Employment

I write on behalf of the AMWU to make a very brief submission in the above matter following directions issued by the Full Bench 27 April 2017.¹

The AMWU supports the removal of abandonment of employment clauses from Modern Awards which the AMWU has an interest in, in particular the *Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations Award 2010* and the *Graphic Arts, Printing and Publishing Award 2010*.

The AMWU supports the findings of the Full Bench of the Fair Work Commission in *Boguslaw Bienias, v Iplex Pipelines Australia Pty Limited* [2017] FWCFB 38² that these clauses are not terms permitted or required to be in these Modern Awards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Michael Nguyen'.

Michael Nguyen
National Research Officer

¹ <https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/sites/awardsmodernfouryr/am201635-dir-270417.pdf>

² <https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/decisionssigned/html/2017fwcfb38.htm>