

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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AER – North West Protected Industrial Action Q&A

Dear Traincrew,

You would be aware that the AFULE notified Aurizon of protected industrial action last week that members of the North West Corridor will be taking action!

24 hour strike commencing 2359 hrs Sunday the 20 January

If you are rostered to commence work after 2359hrs **do not present for work.**

If you are rostered to commence work before 2359hrs on Sunday and you are at your home depot, it is your right to **sign off and go home at 2359hrs.**

If you are rostered to commence work before 2359hrs and you are out on track working a train, at approximately 2315hrs **Traincrew are to decide on a safe location to stow your service.** Use the remaining 45 minutes to safely secure you service and safely exit the rail corridor.

Members affected by shutting down train services on track will be identified in the days leading up to the action. You're union comrades will liaise with you to ensure you have a safe passage back to your home depot.

Aurizon have stated that no crews will be rostered to be in quarters during this time

Monday the 21 January - Return to work 2359

You must **present for work at 2359** if you were rostered to be working at that time, **you must complete any shift that was to commence before or at 2359 and would not have finished until after 2359.**

Sunday 20 January 2359 – 7 Day Overtime Ban Commences

From 2359hrs 20 January a **7day overtime ban commences.** The company has been notified that union members will not be working additional shifts over this period. The company will attempt to encourage you to work overtime during this period, **respectfully decline any approach.** AER members are only obligated to alter their shift start times as outlined in clauses 52.6 - 52.10 of your Enterprise Agreement

Now is the time to pull together and press our claims for better wages, conditions and fair treatment in the workplace! Be Union Proud!

Protected industrial action only applies to Union members covered by the agreement and non-union members can be prosecuted in the Fair Work Commission for taking illegal industrial action

Please contact your local rep or state office on 3844 9163 or statesecretary@afule.org.au if you would like further information.

In Solidarity,

Michael McKittrick
State Secretary

Traincrew representing Traincrew