

# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES



Circular: 125/19

Ref: Bulk Outcome

12/12/2019

## **Aurizon Bulk EA Receives Emphatic YES Vote**

Dear Members,

Yesterday the ballot for your new Enterprise Agreement closed. The results of the ballot were as followed;

- 286 eligible employees returned a vote
- 266 voted YES
- 20 voted NO
- 93% voted YES, of the returned vote

This result is a massive turn around from the 92% NO vote from earlier this year and is a testament to the resolve of our Bulk members who stuck together to fight for a better deal.

From here, your new EA will be sent to the Fair Work Commission for ratification and will become your new working conditions for the next 3 years. This approval process could take up to 12 weeks for the Commission to complete.

As there is a back pay component of 2.25% to September 2018 it is important to know that you MUST be an employee covered by this agreement at the time it is ratified to be eligible to access the back pay. If you leave the Bulk business before the Commission approves this EA, you will not receive any back pay.

Once again, thank you to the AFULE workplace bargaining representatives for all of your work at the bargaining table articulating the views of your workmates.

Thank you to all of the depot representatives for attending our regular bargaining telephone hook-ups and your input throughout the process.

Thank you to all AFULE members for staying united throughout the industrial campaign and sending a message of solidarity throughout the process. If it was not for your commitment, we would not have achieved the improvements we have gained within your new EA.

We have shown management that the union movement is very much alive and well within Aurizon Traincrew!

For more information please contact your local AFULE rep or the state office on 3844 9163 or [statesecretary@afule.org.au](mailto:statesecretary@afule.org.au)

In Solidarity,

Michael McKittrick  
State Secretary

**Traincrew representing Traincrew**