

# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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## Aurizon Bulk Master Roster Dispute Update

Dear members,

You would be aware that the AFULE have been in dispute with Aurizon in relation to their use of BLANK days and the level of Availability inserted into depot master rosters.

As a result of our dispute notices and subsequent conciliation hearing at the Fair Work Commission, Aurizon agreed to commence a six-week trial of the AFULE's rostering guidelines as outlined within your enterprise agreement at Hughenden, Rockhampton, and Maryborough.

We have now received verbal confirmation from Aurizon that they intend to introduce the rostering guidelines to ALL Aurizon Bulk depots on a further trial basis. We are expecting written confirmation of this and timings for roster committees to be convened in the coming days.

This has been a long and drawn out process for Traincrew to receive the work life rosters you fought for and voted in late last year. It is encouraging to now see the company further commit introducing these changes.

This is a great outcome, however as this is still only on a trial basis, the fight is not over and our disputes remain on foot, which can be re-agitated in the future should Aurizon decide to not honour the clauses of your EA.

I want to thank our AFULE depot representatives from across the state along with members in Hughenden, Rockhampton and Maryborough who have kept up the fight and shown that stable rosters within Bulk are achievable.

More information on these roster changes will be forthcoming.

If you would like more information, please contact your AFULE bargaining representative or your state office on 3844 9163 or [statesecretary@afule.org.au](mailto:statesecretary@afule.org.au)

In Solidarity,

Mick McKitrick,  
State Secretary

**Traincrew representing Traincrew**