

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES



Circular: 28/18

Ref: QR Regional Dispute

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QR Townsville and Bundaberg Dispute

Dear Traincrew,

Queensland Rail have been consulting on the proposal to alter Regional Traincrew workings at the Townsville and Bundaberg depots. The AFULE has been opposed to the proposed new depot workings from the outset including the prospect of Townsville traincrew working through to Rockhampton and being away from their home location for in excess of 40 hours.

The QR Traincrew Enterprise Agreement state;

74.4 A key objective for the business is to reduce the length of time crews are required to be away from the home depot for work. Where practical the total rostered time away from home should not exceed thirty-four (34) hours.

We feel that we have place a practical option on the table for QR management which has been ignored. If the above clause really was a “key objective for the business”, we believe all credible options should be collectively explored and a solution found.

Today the AFULE lodged a dispute with the company. As this dispute proceeds we will keep you well informed of the progress.

If you have any questions, please contact our office on 07 3844 9163, email statesecretary@afule.org.au or find us on [Facebook](#).

Yours fraternally

Greg Smith
State Secretary

Traincrew representing Traincrew