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## **Good morning President Hatcher**

I write to you regarding the ACTU submission published within 30 minutes of submissions in response deadline pertaining to the <u>Modern Awards Review 2023-24 - Making awards easier to use 2023-24</u>.

We note with concern some invalid references to the role of AWCC in the ACTU submission in response that we would like noted:

- 1. Paragraph 17 erroneously classifying AWCC as representing "employer" interests. As you are aware, we are the peak body representing payroll practitioners and Employment Technology Providers in much the same way that accounting peak bodies represent accounting and tax practitioners. We are agnostic to employers, who are well represented by other organisations. We represent those whose role it is to interpret awards to pay employees correctly.
- 2. Paragraphs 21-24 seeking to limit the parties who may engage to review Modern Awards as part of the current public consultation process. We do not support the narrowing of consultation on such a critical matter for payroll practitioners and Employment Technology Providers. If Australia is to "make awards easier to use" then the consultation group must include those who represent that audience to ensure employees are paid correctly.

Regards Ciaran Strachan



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