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Associate to the President
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Dear Associate,

I write advising that the AMWU seeks an opportunity to make submissions regarding casual conversion clauses in the exposure drafts of several awards in which we have an interest.

In previous submissions the AMWU has refrained from commenting on the casual conversion clauses and instead noted that these were the subject of proceedings in AM2014/197. ¹This view is consistent with the statement of the Full Bench that *the review of each award will not be complete until all the common issues proceedings are finalised.*²

The Exposure Drafts also contained notes referring parties to the potential impact of the common issue.

Now that the Full Bench decision in the Casual's common issue case has been handed down, we would consider it an appropriate time to comment on the clauses.

Although the decision refrained from affecting awards already containing a casual conversion clause, the wording of said clauses has changed in the Exposure Draft drafting process. The AiG in their submission dated 11/07/2017 have commented on the Exposure draft redrafted clauses and we would respectfully request the opportunity to do the same.

The awards that the AMWU intends to make further submissions in regard to the casual conversion clause are listed in the summary table on the following page.

¹ AMWU Submissions dated 24/10/2014 in AM2014/75 [28].
² [2014] FWCFB 5537 [12].

Award Stage Matter Number	Award Name	Exposure Draft Casual Conversion clause
AM2014/75	Manufacturing and Associated Industries and Occupations Award	6.5
AM2014/203	Graphic Arts, Printing and Publishing Award	6.5
AM2014/268	Food, Beverage and Tobacco Manufacturing Award	10.6
AM2014/92	Timber Industry Award	7.5
AM2014/216	Waste Management Award 2010	6.6

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding this correspondence.

Kind Regards,

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