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Dear Commissioner Cirkovic

Ai Group advises that unfortunately due a series of other major commitments on 29 March, we are unable to attend the Conference scheduled that afternoon regarding the review of the *Professional Employees Award 2010*. These commitments include, but are not limited to, the deadlines that fall on 29 March for the filing of our main submissions in the *Annual Wage Review 2016/17* and in the *Public Holidays Common Issues Case*.

For many decades, Ai Group and Professionals Australia/APESMA have been the predominant industry parties for the *Professional Employees Award 2010* and the main predecessor awards. We note that Professionals Australia has advised the Commission that it is unlikely to be unable to attend the Conference on 29 March given a Full Bench matter relating to this same award that is being heard on 29 March.

In the circumstances, we would appreciate the rescheduling of the Conference on an alternative date after 29 March. Thank-you for your consideration of this request.

Yours sincerely

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