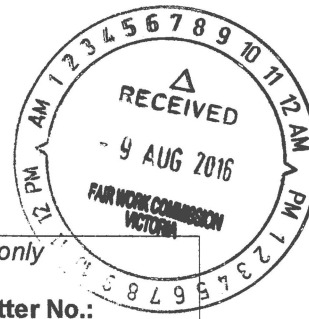


Form F46 Application to vary a modern award
Fair Work Act 2009, ss.157-160



FAIR WORK COMMISSION

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Commission Matter No.:

Applicant

Name:

Title Mr

Address:

Suburb: **State:** Victoria **Postcode:**

If the Applicant is a company or organisation:
Contact person: **ABN:**

Contact details for the Applicant or contact person (if one is specified):
Telephone: **Mobile:**
Fax: **Email:**

Applicant's representative (if any)

Name: **ABN:** [If applicable]

Address:

Suburb: **State:** **Postcode:**

Contact person:

Telephone: **Mobile:**

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- 1. What is the name of the modern award to which the application relates?**
Building & Construction General On-Site Award 2010.
- 2. What is the industry of the employer?**
Civil & Construction Industry
- 3. Variation(s) sought:**
To have a new classification/category inserted into this award for my skill set/job role.
- 4. Grounds:**
In schedule B – Classifications & Definitions, there is no description or title for my specific industry or skill set. I have been working in this particular part of the industry for the past 6 ½ years, and in that time I had my own company for 5 of those years. When I had my own business I contacted the 'Fairwork Ombudsman' to find out what award I would use for my 2 employees and through lengthy discussions about the industry I work in it was decided that this award was the closest. In the past 18 months I have returned to work for 'wages' in the same industry for a company, that has an E.B.A. based on the same award. This type of work has been around for about 20 years (guess - maybe longer) as a stand alone job role. There

are contractors and companies, (large & small) all over the country that employ my type of skill set. Telstra acknowledges our skills and refers to those who are registered and capable as 'Telstra accredited plant locators'. Dial before you dig which is a national not for profit organization also recognizes our skill set and experience. The equipment we use to perform our daily duties can cost up to \$35,000 for a single piece, needless to say there is specialized equipment needed to be purchased and skills and experience obtained to perform this type of work. The type of work that we do is undertaken to ensure contractors and constructors do not hit and damage the vital infrastructure that is buried underground and can kill people or cost them thousands of dollars in repairing it. I would like to have this award varied to include the job role and recognize the skill set that we have as it is not going away and only going to become more vital with the various state and federal governments infrastructure planning that is underway around the country. As a small example I have just finished doing some of this work on the 'Kingsford Smith Drive' upgrade in Brisbane which Lend Lease is undertaking and this project is around \$360 million (I think). I sincerely hope you are able to help me in this matter.

Yours Sincerely

Date: 1st August 2016.

Signature: 

Name: Thomas Walsh.

Capacity/Position:

Senior Utility Locator.

Service requirements

The Applicant must seek directions from the Commission as to service of this application.