

The following update is for the information of members, who are advised that no agreement has been reached on ANY of the items discussed to date and that members will ultimately determine the final outcome.

The RTBU and management met again on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Feb focussing on Rostering Conditions and the five following primary issues;

- 1) The notification period of the Working Rosters,
- 2) Lift Up and Lay back,
- 3) RDO"s
- 4) Cycle Hours
- 5) Public Holidays

1) The notification period of the Working Rosters

PN further outlined their proposals on the reduction of notification period of the Working rosters. They explained their reasoning as assisting the customer, and to reduce the requirement to make further changes of the working roster after the posting of the roster.

2) Lift Up and Lay Back

PN management wants the requirement for the Driver to be contactable for the lift up and lay back period to be mandatory.

3) RDO's

The RTBU outlined our claim that Single RDO's should conform to the following:

- Be a minimum of 30 hours commencing at 0000 and returning no earlier than 0600 the following day.
- This can be altered by roster development in consultation and agreement with Rostering Committee for sign off to be between 0000 and 0300 on the same day for a minimum of 36 hours as currently applies to multiple RDO's
- If due to late running the sign off is between 0300 and midday then the RDO would commence at midday and be of a minimum 36 hours duration.

Management advised that they would need to cost this proposal.

4) Cycle Hours.

RTBU claim is to reduce the current cycle of Hours from 608 hours over 13 weeks to a 152 hour 4 week cycle.

After lengthy discussions on this item, once again the Company advised that they would need further debate and to cost this proposal.

5) Public Holidays

Whilst the RTBU position is for the removal of Blank and AVP days, we have stated that should they remain as a result of negotiations members should be entitled to either a DIL or a credit of 7.6 hours to the duty cycle as currently applies to RDO's.

PN have proposed to automatically credit the 83.6 annual public holiday hours on a weekly basis averaged over the 52 week annual cycle.

Your negotiating committee will consider this option as part of the negotiation of the entire package and members will be kept informed of any developments as they occur.

Further Scheduled Meetings

7th, 8th and 9th February 21st and 22nd February 6th and 7th March

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Intermodal Negotiation Coordinators