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RTBU PN BULK UPDATE

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Meeting held on the 16th January 2013 at Parramatta

Discussions where held around:

- Correct rate for meal allowance
- Confirmation that Personal Leave does go towards Duty Cycle
- Easter Sunday being a Gazetted Public Holiday
- "Self Drive Shift" added to glossary of terms
- Nowra Route Qualifications
- Annual Leave for Terminal Operators
- MOU for Superannuation whilst on Workers Comp
- Intent of wakeup call between 2200 & 0800hrs
- Available Days
- Voting process
- Wages

Correct rate for meal allowance – the correct rate of \$25.93 has now been inserted into the Draft EA.

Confirmation of Personal Leave towards Duty Cycle – PN have now withdrawn their claim for this not to occur and as such all Personal Leave does go towards you Duty Cycle

Easter Sunday – although PN won't put Easter Sunday within the draft EA, it is still covered for shift workers under clause 18b(iii) "any other days prescribed by the relevant State or Territory"

"Self Drive Shift" – has been included into the Glossary of Terms – "Where employees are expected to drive a motor vehicle"

Nowra Route Qualifications – has been fixed so that a Level 3 employee from Nowra can be utilised up to 12hrs for their Principle Road.

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Annual leave for Terminal Operators – Terminal operators will receive the same conditions as Train Crew.

MOU for Superannuation whilst on Workers Comp – although this has been agreed to in principle, we are waiting on final wording in regards to both parties having to agree before any subsequent changes to the MOU can occur.

Intent of Wakeup Call between 2200 & 0800hrs - The document will reflect that calls between 2200 and 0600hrs will only be made for mainline jobs + crew car driving. Locals will not be called. That means you go to bed and wake up when you receive a call to attend work. If no call you will fall into the next call period.

Available Days – of the extra 26 RDO's for Blankline, only 10 will be used for Available Days as such no current RDO's will be used for these Available Days.

Voting Process – when we get to the stage when you will be voting on your EA, a third / independent party will be conducting the voting process. The Parties will confirm these arrangements as a vote gets closer.

Wages – PN Bulk again stated that they are not able to move from their offer of 4% for each year, but did suggest the possibility of non binding mediation taking place in an effort to resolve the wage impasse. The RTBU was not in a position to decide on one way or the other as nothing formal had been proposed, but we did ask that if PN was planning to make this a formal offer that it is put in writing sooner rather than later as members were eager to have the EA resolved.

PN agreed to have something in writing to us for consideration by COB Tuesday 22nd January 2013.

The RTBU will continue to represent your views. This is your agreement and any outcome will and must be owned by the membership. Your Union is committed to a membership owned Agreement.

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