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Ongoing disputes with Aurizon

Annual leave, workplace surveillance, delegate/representation rights

Dear members

On Thursday 13th June 2019, Aurizon's lawyers took an unusual approach and wrote to the Commission asking for it to make a recommendation to the RTBU that it should do what the Company wants. This got the response it deserved from the Commission – **the Deputy President declined to entertain such an approach.**

Aurizon are continuing to treat your agreement with contempt. After taking industrial action last year to achieve annual leave rights and workplace surveillance protections, members expected that Aurizon would honour its bargain. However, a mere 3 months after the agreements approval, we have to continue to fight for our rights and protections.

Aurizon have hired a top-tier law firm to fight members on these hard fought rights and protections, who we can assume would be, being paid more per hour than the **base rate of pay for anybody covered by the agreement for a full day's work!**

This clearly is not a fight about money. This is an ideological fight being undertaken by a company that wants to strip away member's rights at work.

It is time to stand up and fight back before it's too late. Remember, first they come for your annual leave, and then they'll come for your workplace surveillance protections, next they'll come for your delegates. What's next?

The Commission matter will run its course. Your delegates and organisers will be in touch soon about other steps that we can all take to fight back.

By standing together we will win this. If you know anyone at your workplace who's not a union member, tell them to join and be part of this fight.

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