



RTBU NSW LOCO DIVISION NEWSFLASH

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Pacific National Coal Redundancies

Members Left Wondering!

As we last reported, Pacific National agreed to provide a response to our correspondence by Monday 22nd February and meet with us on that date.

They later advised meeting times were limited, the first suitable time for both parties being Friday 26th February at 2pm by phone hookup.

To try and establish where things are up to we again wrote to the Company on Monday 22nd February and followed up with a call to the Company and even though we were advised that a response had been drafted, at time of writing this Newsflash it had not been received.

We were also advised that employees would be receiving a newsletter from the company sometime Tuesday 24/2/2016 which based on membership feedback, has also not materialised.

In other developments, we have also been advised by members that over the past two days the Company has been telling employees that they are now reviewing their original plan as they may have misjudged their numbers, although we have not been able to confirm this.

What further intrigues YOUR Union is an interview with the Asciano CEO that was screened on ABC News 24 "The Business" program last night (24/2/2016), when he responded to a question about the robustness of coal contracts as follows:

"We have a very robust coal business" and contrary to what you read in the press sometimes, all the doom and gloom about the industry, its really the opposite we have seen record levels of throughput."

We believe this statement conflicts with all the discussion and communication the coal management team have been conveying to you and YOUR Union.

The full interview can be watched by the following link;

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-02-24/extended-interview-with-john-mullen/7197766>

As soon as we have any further communications from the company we will provide you with an update.

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