



**RTBU**

# PACIFIC NATIONAL

**INTERMODAL DRIVERS EBA UPDATE**

**NEWSFLASH NO.2**

## Further meetings have been held with Pacific National management who have now advised us of their four main priority claims.

### 1. Driver Only Operations

Management has stated that they wish to remove Attachment 5 of the current Agreement as it inhibits their ability to introduce Driver Only Operations.

Management state that the approval processes from the National Rail Regulator should be all that is required. The current PN Managers believe that Attachment 5 was included in the EA to frustrate any attempt to introduce DOO. They argue that the Agreement only needs a simplistic clause for DOO.

RTBU negotiators have asked when has Attachment 5 prevented Pacific National from introducing Driver Only Operations when they have been able to meet the criteria/conditions as set out in Attachment 5.

We have also asked PN on a number of occasions to supply us the wording they wish to include in the EA to replace Attachment 5, and at time of writing this has not been supplied.

### 2. Relay Working

Management has advised that they wish to use relay working as an operational tool across their business. They therefore require the removal of the current wording that states relay working will only be utilised in remote and isolated locations.

### 3. Sign on/ Sign Off Points.

Management wants the ability to roster/force traincrew to sign on and sign off at the point/location where they pick up the train. For example instead of signing on at the depot, they will sign on and off the locomotive.

### 4. Flexible Employment

Management wants greater usage of Permanent Part Time Employment, which would operate on a standalone roster with full blank line rostering.

Your RTBU negotiating team is continuing to pursue the Log of Claims as developed from Member and Delegate feedback.

Meetings are scheduled for:

- 8th and 9th March
- 14th and 15th March
- 21st and 22nd March
- 11th and 12th April
- 26th and 27th April

Members will be kept informed as further developments occur.