



Bulletin

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ENERGEX UCA UPDATE

The Unions and Energex met today for further negotiations of the UCA. Some progress was made at today's June 18 meeting and the parties are working together to reach agreement. Some of the key items addressed today were -

- **Clause 1.6 Workplace Change and Flexibilities Clause** *The parties agreed that Energex would seek written advice from Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR) and The Office Australian Building and Construction Commissioner (ABCC) in relation to the enforceability and compliance of the proposed Workplace Change and Flexibilities Clause. The Unions currently have concerns over the enforceability of the proposed clause and the vulnerable position members would be left in should Energex decide to implement changes without consultation.*
- **Superannuation** *Union Officials and Energex representatives will be meeting with ESI Super on Monday to seek clarification on a number of outstanding items. These include Death Cover and TPD.*
- **Senior Staff Agreement** *Energex has not changed its position in relation to the Senior Staff Agreement. Energex claims that the arrangements for Senior Staff Agreements are more than adequate.*

At this stage the UCA is not ready to go out to vote. The process of negotiations is that prior to employees voting on the UCA the negotiating parties reach an "in-principle" agreement. There are a number of outstanding items with the UCA that have not yet been resolved.

This includes the Control Room Agreement which is a schedule to the UCA. These negotiations are still continuing. Prior to any vote taking place the parties must reach an "in-principle" agreement. Further dates have been scheduled for negotiations.

If you have any questions please contact ASU Organiser Kevin Place on 3252 8666.