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Utilities Management EA Update 23/08/2022

UMPL requests pause to Industrial Action in light of revised EA offer

As you may have seen this morning UMPL issued an Enterprise Agreement News at 10:00am. The company advised in this communication that it intends to put a revised Enterprise Agreement offer to bargaining representatives to settle the long running industrial dispute. The company has requested that Protected Industrial Action is paused until this offer is tabled and considered by the bargaining representatives on Thursday.

All the bargaining representatives received similar correspondence at 5:00 pm yesterday.

The SBU has reason to believe that a revised offer and a change of position by UMPL may enable the parties to progress toward a resolution and get an agreement done.

The SBU cannot direct its members to take, or not take Industrial Action – but given there may be an opportunity to reach a sensible resolution and get to an agreement offer that the SBU can recommend to our members, the SBU is recommending that all members, in good faith, cease Industrial Action until 12:00 noon this Thursday 25th August.

Notices are still in and members still have the right to take Action, we are only recommending a temporary pause in the hope that the company's offer will lead us to a resolution.

The SBU will provide further update on Thursday afternoon.

The SBU will provide further recommendations regarding Industrial Action depending on the suitability of UMPL's offer.

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