# Post-election report

Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization
Scheduled election
E2022/138



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# Election(s) Covered in this Report

Organisation: Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization

Election: Scheduled

Election Decision No/s: E2022/138

# Rules

Rules used for the election: 278V: Incorporates alterations of 18 August 2020 [R2020/116]

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: None

Model Rule reference (if any): N/A

For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website: www.aec.gov.au/ieb/

# Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): Yes Details:

- As there is no rule pertaining to the withdrawal of nominations, the Returning Officer applied subparagraph 193(1)(b)(ii) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 to fix a closing time for the withdrawal of nominations and the withdrawal period closed at the time of closing of nominations.
- As there is no rule pertaining to when the lodgement of Candidate Statements closes, the
  Returning Officer applied subparagraph 193(1)(b)(ii) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations)
  Act 2009 to fix a closing time for the lodgement of statements which was at the time of closing
  of nominations.

# Signed

Lachlan Symonds Returning Officer Australian Electoral Commission

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P: 02 9375 6366 6 February 2023

# **Attachments**

- A. Declaration of results for Uncontested Offices Stage 1 (Branch Committee)
- B. Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices Stage 1
   Insufficient Nominations (Branch Committee Queensland Branch)
- C. Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices Stage 2 (Branch Officers)
- D. Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices Stage 3 (National Officers)

# Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2022/138 - Stage 2 Uncontested Offices

#### **Scheduled Election**

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and the rules of the organisation are:

### Victorian Branch

# President (1)

Candidates

**DUNN Cameron** 

# Vice President (2)

Candidates

**HOPLEY Brendan** 

**LEAN Mike** 

# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

Candidates

**ANDERSON Peter** 

# **Committee Members (Officer) (2)**

**Candidates** 

**EASTICK Andrew** 

JONES Darren

# Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**ANDERSON Peter** 

# **Alternate Representative to Council (1)**

Candidates

**EASTICK Andrew** 

## **New South Wales Branch**

# **Branch President (1)**

**Candidates** 

WEST John

### Vice President (2)

Candidates

**CAPP Nicholas** 

**MURPHY Cameron** 

# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

Candidates

D'APICE Laurie

# **Committee Members (Officer) (2)**

Candidates

**BRADAC John** 

**BYRNE** Declan

# Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

D'APICE Laurie

# Alternate Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**MURPHY Cameron** 

### **Queensland Branch**

# President (1)

Candidates

**RUSSELL Julie** 

## Vice President (2)

Candidates

**KAHLERT Paul** 

MAHON Michael

# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

Candidates

**MAHON Gary** 

# **Committee Members (Officer) (2)**

Candidates

ALEXANDER Kevin

SIMON David

# Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**MAHON Gary** 

# Alternate Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**RUSSELL Julie** 

# Western Australian Branch

# President (1)

Candidates

**DAVID Neil** 

# Vice President (2)

Candidates

**PETERS Andrew** 

**RENTON Peter** 

# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

Candidates

**DUMESNY Cam** 

# **Committee Members (Officer) (2)**

Candidates

JOLLY Wade

MACK Harvey

# Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**DUMESNY Cam** 

# Alternate Representative to Council (1)

Candidates DAVID Neil

# **Tasmanian Branch**

# President (1)

Candidates

DE BRUYN John

# Vice President (2)

Candidates

**HIGGINS Darren** 

**RYAN Steve** 

# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

Candidates

**HARWOOD Michelle** 

# **Committee Members (Officer) (2)**

Candidates

**AUTON Jamie** 

MILLER Robert

# Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

**HARWOOD Michelle** 

# Alternate Representative to Council (1)

Candidates

DE BRUYN John

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Lachlan Symonds Returning Officer

Telephone: 02 9375 6366 Email: iebevents@aec.gov.au

22/12/2022



6 February 2023

Peter Anderson National Secretary/Treasurer Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization Sent via email: reception@vta.com.au



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You must take steps after your recent election E2022/138

Dear Peter Anderson,

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This letter explains the next steps you must take and what information you need to lodge with the Registered Organisations Commission (**ROC**).

# What you must do right now

- Let your members know about the election report issued by the AEC
- Arrange financial training for officers newly elected to an office with financial management duties. (This includes all members of the committee of management).
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# **STEP 1: Notify members**

You must put a notice on your website once you receive your post-election report. It must tell your members they can request a copy of the post-election report from you or the AEC (r. 141). The notice must be on your website for at least 3 months.



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# Secretary/Treasurer (1)

<u>Candidates</u> ANDERSON Peter Scott

# President (1)

Candidates
D'APICE Laurie

## Vice President (2)

<u>Candidates</u> HARWOOD Michelle MAHON Gary

# **Executive Committee Members (2)**

<u>Candidates</u> DUMESNY Campbell John

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Lachlan Symonds Returning Officer Telephone: 02 9375 6366 Email: iebevents@aec.gov.au

01/02/2023





23 November 2022

Peter Anderson National Secretary/Treasurer Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization Sent via email: reception@vta.com.au



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# Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization

# DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2022/138 - Stage 1 Uncontested Offices

# **Insufficient Nominations Election**

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## **Queensland Branch**

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Candidates
ALEXANDER Kevin
KAHLERT Paul
MAHON Michael
SIMON David

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Lachlan Symonds Returning Officer Telephone: 03 9285 7111 Email: iebevents@aec.gov.au

21/11/2022



26 October 2022

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### **New South Wales Branch**

# **Branch Committee Member (6)**

Candidates

**BRADAC John** 

**BYRNE** Declan

**CAPP Nicholas** 

D'APICE Laurie

**MURPHY Cameron** 

WEST John

#### Victorian Branch

# **Branch Committee Member (6)**

**Candidates** 

ANDERSON Peter Scott

**DUNN Cameron** 

**EASTICK Andrew** 

**HOPLEY Brendan** 

JONES Darren

**LEAN Mike** 

## **Queensland Branch**

# **Branch Committee Member (6)**

Candidates

**MAHON Gary** 

**RUSSELL Julie** 

#### **Western Australian Branch**

# **Branch Committee Member (6)**

Candidates

**DAVID Neil Anthony** 

**DUMESNY Campbell John** 

JOLLY Wade Malcolm

MACK Harvey

PETERS Andrew John

**RENTON Peter** 

# **Tasmanian Branch**

# **Branch Committee Member (6)**

Candidates
AUTON Jamie
DE BRUYN John
HARWOOD Michelle
HIGGINS Darren
MILLER Robert
RYAN Steve

As the number of nominations accepted did not exceed the number of positions to be filled, I declare the above candidates elected.

Cameron Caccamo Returning Officer Telephone: 02 9375 6366 Email: IEBevents@aec.gov.au

19/10/2022





# **DECISION**

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 s.189—Arrangement for conduct of an election

# **Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization** (E2022/138)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 2 SEPTEMBER 2022

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 24 August 2022 the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

National	
Secretary/Treasurer	(1)
President	(1)
Vice President	(2)
Executive Committee Members	(2)
Victorian Branch	
Committee Members	(6)
President	(1)
Secretary/Treasurer	(1)
Vice President	(2)
Committee Members (Officer)	(2)
Representative to Council	(1)
Alternate Representative to Council	(1)
New South Wales Branch	
Committee Members	(6)
President	(1)
Secretary/Treasurer	(1)
Vice President	(2)
Committee Members (Officer)	(2)
Representative to Council	(1)
Alternate Representative to Council	(1)

Queensland Branch	
Committee Members	(6)
President	(1)
Secretary/Treasurer	(1)
Vice President	(2)
Committee Members (Officer)	(2)
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Tasmanian Branch	
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Committee Members (Officer)	(2)
Representative to Council	(1)
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Western Australian Branch	
Committee Members	(6)
President	(1)
Secretary/Treasurer	(1)
Vice President	(2)
Committee Members (Officer)	(2)
Representative to Council	(1)

[2] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.

(1)



Alternate Representative to Council

# DELEGATE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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# Australian Road Transport Industrial Organisation

Respect, Respond and Represent

ABN: 63 734 697 902

Registered Organisations Commissioner Registered Organisations Commission GPO Box 2983, Melbourne VIC 3001

cc. Branch Secretaries NSW, Qld, Vic, Tas, WA.

By email: regorgs@roc.gov.au

Notice of Prescribed Information for Election

Attached please find the prescribed information for making arrangements with the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) for the conduct of elections in the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization (ARTIO).

The notice concerns the quadrennial scheduled elections for the organisation and its branches.

The contact officer for enquiries by the ROC and also by the AEC in the first instance should be directed to Mr David Viney, Administration Manager 0413 010 292 or 9646 8590.

As the National Office of ARTIO is located in Port Melbourne, the Returning Officer appointed for overall responsibility for the conduct the elections is requested to be based in the AEC's Melbourne Office.

Yours sincerely

Peter Anderson

National Secretary/Treasurer

24 August 2022

## **ARTIO National**

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### Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulation 138

# Prescribed Information for elections by the Australian Road Transport Industrial Organization (ARTIO)

I, Peter Anderson, National Secretary/Treasurer of ARTIO state that the information is lodged under section 189 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and that I am the person authorised to make the statement.

ARTIO hereby lodges prescribed information in respect of elections to be conducted by the Australian Electoral Commission.

## Offices and voting system

#### National

- President collegiate election, by and from National Council
- Vice Presidents (2) collegiate election, by and from National Council
- Executive Committee Members (2) collegiate election, by and from National Council
- > Secretary/Treasurer (if a ballot is required) direct voting system election

### Victorian Branch

- ➤ Branch Committee Members (6) direct voting system election
- Branch President by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Secretary/Treasurer by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Vice Presidents (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Committee Members (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Alternate Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee

# **NSW Branch**

- ➤ Branch Committee Members (6) direct election voting system
- Branch President by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Secretary/Treasurer by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Vice Presidents (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Committee Members (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Alternate Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee

# Queensland Branch

- > Branch Committee Members (6) direct voting system election
- Branch President by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Secretary/Treasurer by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Vice Presidents (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Committee Members (2) by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee
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### Tasmanian Branch

- ➤ Branch Committee Members (6) direct voting system election
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- Branch Vice Presidents (2) by and from Branch Committee
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- Branch Representative to Council by and from Branch Committee
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## Western Australian Branch

- ➤ Branch Committee Members (6) direct voting system election
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- Branch Secretary/Treasurer by and from Branch Committee
- Branch Vice Presidents (2) by and from Branch Committee
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# Reason for election - scheduled quadrennial elections (branch and national)

The reason for the election is that the terms of office are due to expire on or around December 2022, such that the persons elected to each office pursuant to this notice will be entitled to hold office for a new term of 4 years.

The last scheduled election for the organisation and its branches (other than the WA Branch) was granted by decision of the Delegate dated 14 September 2018 [E2018/194] by which the ensuing elections conducted by the AEC were completed in stages over the period 29 October 2018 to 7 February 2019.

With respect to the **Western Australian Branch**, it was newly created on 17 November 2020 whereby its first branch election was granted pursuant to the Delegate's decision of 24 Feb 2021 and amending decision of 15 April 2021 (refer E2021/15). Such branch election was ultimately completed in stages on 19 August 2021 and 6 October 2021 with the ensuing (initial) term of office timed to coincide with the expiration of the terms of office of the pre-existing branches of the Organization — conformably with rule 7(5).

# Intervening rule changes

Subsequent to the 2018 election round, the organisation has adopted a new set of rules with effect on 5 June 2020 [2020] FWCD 1869. Insofar as such rules would affect future elections, the Decision of the FWC Delegate relevantly states:

"[5] The nomination periods for elections to various offices, in circumstances where only a small number of people need to be balloted, have been reduced.

[18] New Rule 24A consolidate election provisions which apply generally to elections for office in ARTIO under a single rule. As noted above, various other rules have been streamlined as a consequence. The manner of election has also been refined in some respects allowing advice from the Australian Electoral Commission.

[28] The alteration to Branch Rule 12 updates the requirements for the election of the Branch Committee. This amendment elongates the period in which an election's steps may be taken, recognising that the election may involve a direct election by postal ballot of a Branch's membership. Further to this, this modification provides clarity on direct voting systems and

determines how insufficient nominations and secret ballots are to be conducted. Guidelines for candidate statements are also provided.

[29] The alteration to Branch Rule 14 updates the requirements for elections of Branch Officers. This amendment shortens the nomination period, clarifies the ballot periods and makes it clear that the election is by collegiate electoral system."

#### Electorate

national offices

The voting electorate of the National Secretary/Treasurer is by direct voting system of all financial members of the organisation.

The voting electorate for the National President, National Vice-Presidents (2) and National Executive Committee Members (2) is the National Council.

branch offices

The voting electorates of the branch committee members (6) is by direct voting system of all financial members of the respective branch.

The voting electorate for the Branch (and Alternate) Representatives to Council is the college comprising the respective Branch Committee. Note that Branch (and Alternate) Representative to Council may also hold office of a branch.

The voting electorate for Branch President, 2 Branch Vice Presidents, Branch Secretary/Treasurer and 2 Branch Committee Members is the college comprising the respective Branch Committee.

# Nominations open and close

Branch Committee Members (6)

The scheme of the rules requires the election of the six (6) Branch Committee Members to <u>proceed as the first stage</u> and be completed by the date of the respective 2022 branch AGM. The subsequent collegiate branch elections are to proceed <u>after</u> the branch AGM.

The branch AGM dates have been provisionally scheduled for 6 December 2022. In this respect nominations are requested to open on or around at least 42 days prior to the date of the respective branch AGM (per Br Rule 12) and remain open for 14 days.

Ballot dates, if required, are to be determined by the Returning Officer.

Branch President, Branch Secretary/Treasurer, Branch Vice-Presidents (2), Branch Committee Members (2) and Branch Representative (and Alternate Representative) to Council

Date nominations open and close to be determined by the Returning Officer, having regard to Rule 24 and Branch rule 14(2) which provides for nominations to be called from Members of the Branch Committee within 7 days after the Branch AGM, and remain open for not less than 7 nor more than 10 days.

National President, National Vice Presidents (2), National Executive Committee Members (2)

Rule 29(2) provides for nominations to be called from the National Council within 7 days <u>after</u> the national AGM and remain open for not less than 10 nor more than 20 days. The [national] AGM is provisionally scheduled for 7 December 2022. Accordingly, the latest date for opening nominations will be 13 December 2022.

Ballot dates, if required for this collegiate election, are to be determined by the Returning Officer.

National Secretary/Treasurer

As Rule 30(3) is effectively the same as Rule 29(2), the nomination dates for the aforementioned national office bearers applies in the same way to the nomination procedure for National Secretary/Treasurer.

Ballot dates for a secret postal ballot of all financial members of the organisation, if required, are to be determined by the Returning Officer.

### Roll of voters to be closed

Rule 24A has general application for all elections within the organisation. Rule 24A requires the roll of voters for any ballot to close seven days before the day on which nominations for the election open.

# **Voting system**

The voting system as between a direct voting system and a collegiate electoral system (referenced by the words "by and from") is identified above in respect of each of the named offices.

# **Pending Rule Alterations**

The organisation has no outstanding rule alterations pending with the Fair Work Commission at the present time.

P. Anderson

Secretary/Treasurer

24 August 2022