



30 March 2026

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By email:

Dear Grahame,

**National Returning Officer's Report
Mining and Energy Union Election 2026**

The election for the following positions has been completed:

General Secretary
Queensland District Senior Vice President
Queensland District Industry Health and Safety Inspector
Queensland District Central Councillor
South Western District Vice President (C)

At the close of nominations on Monday 9 February 2026 the following positions were uncontested.

Queensland District Senior Vice President
Queensland District Industry Safety and Health Inspector
Queensland District Central Councillor

Accordingly, I have declared Jeffrey Scales elected to the position of Queensland District Senior Vice President, Robert Palmer elected to the position of Queensland District Industry Safety and Health Inspector and Luke Renshaw elected to the position of Queensland District Central Councillor.

A ballot was conducted for the remaining two positions. The ballot period opened on Monday 2 March 2026 and closed on Monday 23 March 2026. The results were as follows:

General Secretary

Number of ballot papers issued: 25502
Number of duplicate papers issued: 8
Number of ballot papers admitted as formal: 8852
Number of ballot papers rejected as informal: 144

I have declared Glenn Power elected to the position of General Secretary.

South Western District Vice President (C)

Number of ballot papers issued: 4211
Number of duplicate papers issued: 3
Number of ballot papers admitted as formal: 1476
Number of ballot papers rejected as informal: 14

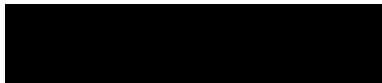
I have declared Daniel Hopkins elected to the position of South Western District Vice President (C).

Conduct of the election

This election was conducted without any significant issues, or mailing delays. Text messages were sent to Local Returning Officers throughout the ballot period to remind them of closing dates and mailing times. Several phone calls were received from Local Returning Officers seeking guidance on certain issues of the ballot process and they were assisted promptly.

The only issue of note is the non-return of ballot packs from three sites. I contacted the Local Returning Officers from these sites and was advised by one of them that they had been unwell but had not made other arrangements for the ballot to be conducted. The other two sites have been unresponsive. Efforts will be made to contact these Local Returning Officers ahead of any future ballots to ensure they are prepared to conduct the ballot at their site.

Yours sincerely,

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Lorraine Usher.

Lorraine Usher
National Returning Officer