

# Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers HEAD OFFICE

E2005/7

File No.:

11 April 2005

The Industrial Registrar Australian Industrial Registry Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street EAST SYDNEY NSW 2011

Attention: Peter McKerrow

Dear Industrial Registrar,

# RE: AUSTRIALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE AND POWER ENGINEERS FEDERAL EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS

Please find enclosed notification and statement of prescribed information under Regulation 138 pertaining to the election of the Federal Executive of the Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers.

The Annual Meeting of Federal Council commences on Monday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2005. We seek your assistance by organising a Returning Officer from the AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION to attend our premises on the above day at 11.00 a.m. to conduct this ('collegiate') election.

Federal Council meets at 10am, on the above date at 52 Buckingham Street, Surry Hills, and after preliminary proceedings the elections are the first item of business with the Returning Officer attending in person to call for nominations in writing to be submitted to him/her.

52 Buckingham Street, Surry Hills, N.S.W. 2010 Telephone: +61 2 9698 3999 Fax: +61 2 9319 7505 It is normal practice for the election of Federal President be first, conducted so that a candidate failing to achieve that office may then nominate for another position.

Please note that following the election of three (3) Vice Presidents, a further call for nominations from amongst these three must be made, and election held if necessary, to appoint one (1) of these as "Senior Vice President" in accordance with Rule 10.

Yours faithfully,

Henning Christiansen

FEDERAL SECRETARY



#### **STATEMENT**

I, Henning Christiansen, Federal Secretary of the Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers, make the following statement:

I am the Federal Secretary of the Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers,

I am authorised to lodge the following prescribed information concerning the forthcoming election of the Federal Executive of the Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers, and

I confirm that the following information is being lodged under subsection 189(1) of the RAO Schedule.

Henning Christiansen

FEDERAL SECRETARY

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE AND POWER ENGINEERS

11 April 2005

#### **OFFICES**

**FEDERAL PRESIDENT** (1) (collegiate election)

FEDERAL VICE-PRESIDENTS (3) (collegiate election) and SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT (1) (collegiate election)

FEDERAL TREASURER (1) (collegiate election)

# **REASON FOR ELECTION:**

The reason for the election being that the term of office of the Federal Executive will expire on the next meeting of the Federal Council and the Rules require the election to be held at this time.

# **ELECTED BY:**

The electorate for the COLLEGIATE voting system are the seventeen (17) Federal Councillors.

# **NOMINATIONS OPEN:**

At Federal Council - the Federal Executive election is the first item on the agenda of the annual meeting of Federal Council.

# **NOMINATIONS CLOSE:**

At Federal Council - the Federal Executive election is the first item on the agenda of the annual meeting of the Federal Council.

# **CUT OFF DATE FOR ROLL:**

Does not apply for this collegiate election.

Superina, Dean

From:

Superina, Dean

Sent:

Tuesday, 12 April 2005 4:04 PM

To:

'industrial.elections@aec.gov.au'

Subject:

Scheduled Elections - AIMPE

See attached PI and current AIMPE rulebook for the abovementioned election.





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#### Regards

Dean Superina NSW RIA Branch Australian Industrial Registry

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Mr Henning Christiansen Federal Secretary Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers 52 Buckingham St SURRY HILLS NSW 2010

Dear Mr Christiansen

#### **Election of Federal Officers**

I refer to your signed notice of 11 April 2005 under s189(1) of the RAO Schedule lodged on 12 April 2005 seeking to arrange the conduct of an election for officers of the Federal Executive of the Institute.

# "Officer" to sign notices

In its current form the notice does not comply with the requirements of the legislation. Regulation 138(2) of the RAO Regulations provides that the notice "must contain a statement signed by an officer of the organisation or branch who is authorised to sign the statement", that the information is lodged under s189(1) of the RAO Schedule.

Section 6 of the RAO Schedule defines "officer" to mean "a person who holds an office in the organisation or branch". The meaning of "office" is defined in section 9. As you will note, the term "officer" in the context of a registered organisation has a narrower and more limited meaning compared to its use in other contexts where some employees (not otherwise holders of an "office") are sometimes described as "officers".

The rules of the Institute do not provide for an office of "Federal Secretary". Any notice under s189(1) must be signed by one of the Institute's officers who, according to sub-rule 5(ii) include the Federal President, the Vice-Presidents and Federal Treasurer. The duties of Federal President as set out in sub-rule 9(iv) include preparing and furnishing "to the Industrial Registrar all returns required by or under" the Act and regulations. Therefore, it appears the appropriate officer to lodge these documents is the Federal President who should sign the notice.

Please note that the requirement for an "officer" of the Institute to lodge documents in the Registry also applies to the lodging of financial documents under s268, the statement of loans, grants and donations under s237, the Institute's annual return under s233, any changes to records required to be kept under s230 and any notice of alteration of rules of the Institute under s159. Where required, any declarations accompanying these documents should also be made by the relevant officer.

Therefore, the Institute should arrange to lodge prescribed information under s189(1) in the form of a notice consistent with the regulations.

#### Position of Senior Vice-President

I note that among the positions for which the Institute is seeking arrangements be made for an election is one described as "Senior Vice-President" which your letter indicates is a position filled by one of the three Vice-Presidents to be elected.

Rule 10 of the Institute's Rules refers to this position as follows:

One of the Vice-Presidents shall be appointed by the Federal Council to act as Senior Vice-President and he shall preside in the absence of the President with full powers and duties of President and in the event of the office becoming vacant, he shall fill the office of President for the remainder of the term.

In the absence of both the President and the Senior Vice-President the remaining members of the Federal Executive shall appoint one of their number to have the powers and perform the duties of the President

As you will note, the rules of the organisation specifically provide that one of the Vice-Presidents "be appointed by the Federal Council" to this position. There is no provision in the rules requiring an election be conducted.

Under s189(3)(b) of the RAO Schedule, a Registrar, before arranging for the conduct of an election by the AEC, must be satisfied "that an election is required to be held under the rules of the organisation...".

Irrespective of the defect I have already noted in the form of the notice lodged, and subject to any comments the Institute may wish to make, it would be my intention to refuse to arrange for an election for this position.

### Filling of vacancy in office of Federal President

In examining the rules of the Institute there appear to be some inconsistencies in the manner the rules provide for the filling of a vacancy in the office of Federal President. In brief, these apparent anomalies include:

- provision in Rule 10 for the "Senior Vice-President" to fill the office of Federal President "for the remainder of the term" if that office becomes vacant
- further provision in Rule 10 that in the absence of the President and Senior Vice-President, the Federal Executive "appoint one of their number to exercise the powers and duties of the President"
- a requirement in sub-rule 33A(xi) that an extraordinary vacancy in the office of "Federal President...shall be filled by a postal ballot of the remaining members of the Federal Council"
- a requirement in sub-rule 33C(i) that a "casual vacancy occurring on the Federal Executive" (among the officers of which are the Federal President see sub-rule 5(ii)) be filled "by the Federal Council at the first meeting of Federal Council subsequent to the vacancy arising".

These anomalies contribute to uncertainty in the rules as to how the Institute should fill a vacancy (however described) in the office of, arguably its most significant officer. I would recommend the Institute consider reviewing its rules to eliminate this uncertainty.

If you have any queries about these matters, please contact me or Peter McKerrow on (02) 8374 6666.

Yours sincerely

Barry Jenkins

Deputy Industrial Registrar

19 April 2005



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Yours faithfully,

Terry Snee

FEDERAL PRESIDENT

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Terry Snee

FEDERAL PRESIDENT

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE AND POWER ENGINEERS

9 May 2005

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Superina, Dean
From: Superina, Dean

Sent:

Thursday, 12 May 2005 1:20 PM

To:

'industrial.elections@aec.gov.au'

Subject:

AIMPE Federal Exective Elections - Relodgement of PI - E2005/71



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Regards '

Dean Superina NSW RIA Branch Australian Industrial Registry

Ph: (02) 8374 6506 Fax: (02) 9380 6990

Email: Dean.Superina@air.gov.au

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Superina, Dean From: Superina, Dean

Sent:

To:

Thursday, 12 May 2005 5:28 PM 'industrial.elections@aec.gov.au' AIMPE Election - E2005/71 - Decision

Subject:

#### See election decision attached



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Electoral Commissioner Through Australian Electoral Officer (industrial.elections@aec.gov.au)

Under subsection 189 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, please arrange for the conduct of the following election by the Australian Electoral Commission:

E No 2005/71

#### RE: AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE AND POWER ENGINEERS

Positions:

See Decision

Contact:

Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers

Terry Snee

Federal President

Phone:

(02) 9698 3999

A copy of the decision is enclosed.

I further request that you arrange for this office to be notified that arrangements for the conduct of this election have been made, by email transmission at industrial elections@air.gov.au

for Deputy Industrial Registrar

12 May 2005

Level 8, Terrace Towers 80 William Street, East Sydney, NSW 2011 Telephone: (02) 8374 6666 Fax: (02) 9380 6990

Mr Terry Snee Federal President Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers 52 Buckingham Street SURRY HILLS NSW 2010

Dear Mr Snee

RE: AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE AND POWER ENGINEERS

Re: Arrangements for the conduct of an Election (E2005/71)

A copy of the Registrar's decision in relation to the above matter is enclosed.

The Registrar is making arrangements, under subsection 189(3) of Schedule 1B of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*, with the Electoral Commissioner for the conduct of the subject election by a member of staff of the Australian Electoral Commission, who will contact you in the near future about the election.

Yours Sincerely

Dean Superina

for Deputy Industrial Registrar

12 May 2005

# **WORKPLACE RELATIONS ACT 1996**

s189 RAO Schedule - arrangement for conduct of an election

# Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers (E2005/71)

BARRY JENKINS DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL REGISTRAR SYDNEY, 12 May 2005

#### DECISION

On 10 May 2005 the abovenamed organisation lodged prescribed information to the conduct of an election for the following offices:

President	(1)
Vice President	(3)
Treasurer	(1)

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 Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



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# Australian Electoral Commission AEC

# Workplace Relations Act 1996 - Schedule 1B

# **RETURNING OFFICER - POST ELECTION REPORT**

Client: Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers

<u>Contact details:</u> Henning Christiansen <u>Fax:</u> (02) 9319 7505

Federal Secretary <u>Tel:</u> (02) 9319 7505

AIMPE

52 Buckingham St Surry Hills NSW 2010

AIR contact officer: Dean Superina <u>Email:</u> industrial.elections@air.gov.au

#### **ELECTIONS COVERED IN THIS REPORT**

Election Decision No/s: E2005/71

Election: Federal Executive
Returning Officer: Robert Buchanan

#### **RULES**

Rules used for elections Rule ID [009V: Incorporates alterations of 24/5/2004 in matter

R2004/257]

Rule/s re eligibility to vote 7 & 33

# **ROLL OF VOTERS**

Total number of voters on the roll	17	
Number of private addresses	17	100%

#### **ALLEGATIONS OF IRREGULARITIES RECEIVED**

There were no written complaints or allegations of irregularities

# **ATTACHMENTS**

A Declaration of Results for Uncontested and Contested Offices

Robert Buchanan Returning Officer

21 June 2005

# **Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers**

#### **Federal Election 2005**

#### **DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR UNCONTESTED AND CONTESTED OFFICES**

Results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and the rules of the organisation.

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#### **Federal Council**

#### President

TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	17
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	17
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	17

Candidates	<u>Votes</u>
IRELAND, Ted SNEE, Terry	7 10
Total votes	17
Formal ballot papers	17
Informal ballot papers	0
I declare Terry Spee elected	

I declare Terry Snee elected.

#### Vice President (3)

TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	17
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TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	17

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Votes</u>
CHRISTIANSEN, Henning OLSEN, Phillip	10 7
REID, Alex	7
RICHARDSON, Tony	10
THOMPSON, Jan	7
WILLIAMSON, Andrew Fraser	10
Total votes	51
Formal ballot papers	17
Informal ballot papers	0
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I declare Henning Christiansen, Tony Richardson and Andrew Fraser Williamson elected.

#### Treasurer

Candidate

BYRNE, Martin Campion

I declare Martin Campion Byrne elected.

Robert Buchanan Returning Officer Australian Electoral Commission