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July 14, 2005

**UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION OF AUSTRALIA  
WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH**

PRESIDENT: I Agnew

SECRETARY: A E Drewett

ABN: 31 367 577 278

YOUR REF:

OUR REF: F1.2

The Industrial Registrar  
Australian Industrial Relations Commission  
Level 35 Nauru House  
80 Collins Street,  
Melbourne Victoria 3000

Dear Registrar,

I write to request authorisation from your Office under section 189 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 for the Australian Electoral Commission to conduct an election for the casual vacancy of Branch Secretary.

The vacancy was caused by my pending retirement as Branch Secretary. A copy of my retirement notice is attached for your information.

The Branch Committee of Management has instructed me to make this request for arrangements to be made for the Australian Electoral Commission conduct an election in accordance with our rules after the Committee received several expressions of interest for the vacant position. Due to the strong interest in the position the Branch Committee of Management has resolved to conduct an election rather than appointing an eligible person under UFUA Rule 71—By Elections.

The following information as required by Regulation 138 of the Workplace Relations (Registration and Accountability of Organisations) Regulation 2003 is provided.

- (a) The position requiring an election is Branch Secretary.
- (b) (ii) A casual vacancy in the office will occurred due to my retirement on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2005.
- (c) N/A
- (d) The electorate comprises only the members of the Western Australian Branch of the United Firefighters Union of Australia.
- (e) Rule 72 (3) of the union's rules requires the Committee of Management or the Branch Executive to determine dates for calling nominations, the closing of nominations and the dates for opening and closing of the ballot. However we would assume the AEC Returning Officer conducting the by-election will liase with the Branch for these determinations to be made.
- (f) The AEC Returning Officer will advise the Branch the appropriate date for closing the role of voters.
- (g) A direct voting system is to be used to conduct the election.

Yours faithfully,

A E Drewett  
BRANCH SECRETARY



19 July, 2005

**UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION OF AUSTRALIA  
WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH**

PRESIDENT: I. Agnew

SECRETARY: A. E. Drewett

ABN: 31 367 577 278

YOUR REF:

OUR REF: F4



The Registrar  
Australian Industrial Relations Commission  
GPO Box X2206  
PERTH WA 6001

Dear Sir/Madam

I advise that I will be retiring from the United Firefighters Union of Australia, WA Branch Secretary position on July 20, 2005.

The United Firefighters Union of Australia (WA Branch) Committee of Management resolved at it's meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2005 to appoint Mr John Walker Acting Secretary for an interim period whilst an election for the Secretary casual vacancy is conducted.

Yours faithfully

Tony Drewett  
Secretary

*Workplace Relations Act 1996*  
s.189 of Schedule 1B - arrangement for conduct of an election

**United Firefighters' Union of Australia**  
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DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL REGISTRAR

MELBOURNE, 25 JULY 2005

*Arrangement for conduct of election.*

**DECISION**

[1] On 19 July 2005 the West Australian Branch of the abovenamed organisation lodged in the Industrial Registry prescribed information in relation to an election to fill the following vacant office for the unexpired part of the term:

Branch Secretary

[2] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed office 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.

