## **FAIR WORK COMMISSION**

Fair Work Act 2009 s.157—FWC may vary etc. modern awards if necessary to achieve modern awards objective

Review of certain C14 rates in modern awards (C2019/5259)

## Submission of the Drycleaning Institute of Australia

- 1. This submission is made on behalf of the Drycleaning Institute of Australia (DIA). DIA is the peak industry association representing drycleaning businesses in Australia.
- 2. DIA has an interest in the Dry Cleaning and Laundry Industry Award 2020 (Award).
- 3. We understand that the Full Bench has decided on its own motion to review the Dry Cleaning Employee Level 1 classification in the Award.
- 4. DIA intends to participate in the Commission's review.
- 5. DIA has considered the approach proposed at paragraph [31] of Commissioner Hampton's Report to the Full Bench of 5 September 2022 and DIA does not have any concerns about that approach, including:
  - The potential publishing of any statistically reliable data received from the ABS;
  - The Commission publishing a background paper on the history of the relevant modern award provisions and setting out the issues that might arise for determination by the Full Bench;
  - Inviting proposals from parties with an interest in the relevant awards being reviewed, and encouraging those parties to discuss their respective positions with a view to narrowing or clarifying the issues; and

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- An initial Full Bench hearing in October 2022 to:
  - Consider submissions made in response to the background paper and any proposals advanced by interested parties;
  - Determine the final scope of the Review and finalise those modern awards where there is a consensus as to whether the award should or should not be varied and the form of any agreed variations; and
  - Consider and issue directions for the provision of evidence and submissions from parties to enable the Review to be completed in respect of the remaining relevant modern awards.

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