

7 June 2017 – EA Bargaining Update

Following the tabling of Curtin's [settlement offer](#) in April, and the NTEU's subsequent rejection of the offer, a number of attempts to further unblock key items at impasse around the bargaining table have proven unsuccessful.

In an attempt to find a way to move beyond the bargaining impasse, Curtin sought the assistance of the Fair Work Commission (FWC) to facilitate our most recent negotiation efforts. Curtin, the NTEU and one individual bargaining representative participated in a voluntary conciliation conference on 31 May 2017, facilitated by Commissioner Williams. Unfortunately, the FWC conference failed to progress enterprise agreement bargaining, with impasse remaining on several key items, including superannuation.

No further bargaining meetings are scheduled at this time. As reported previously, the possibility remains that after more than one year of negotiations, the bargaining process in its current form may not be effective in achieving an agreed outcome. Nevertheless, Curtin remains committed to working with all bargaining representatives, as well as the FWC to the extent they can assist, to achieve an appropriate EA bargaining outcome.