

5 August 2019

# Post-election report

**Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia Communications Division – Scheduled Election E2018/281**

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## Election(s) Covered in this Report

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Organisation: Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union of Australia (CEPU) - Communications Division  
Election Decision Number(s): E2019/281

## Rules

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Rules used for the election: [128V-COM: - Incorporates alterations of 27 September 2018 certified in matter R2018/226] Replaces 25 May 2018 [R2018/115] version)

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: None

Model Rule reference (if any): Please see below  
For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website:  
([https://www.aec.gov.au/About\\_AEC/AEC\\_Services/Industrial\\_Elections](https://www.aec.gov.au/About_AEC/AEC_Services/Industrial_Elections))

## Roll of Voters

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Total number of voters on the Roll: 19,555  
Number of apparent workplace addresses: 174  
Number of non-current addresses: not supplied for all branches  
Other matters pertaining to the roll of voters: None

## Irregularities

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Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC: *None*

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: None

## Other Matters

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Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): Yes

Details: Withdrawal of nomination not allowed after closing time as rules are silent

Wording of the rule 23 (m) on voting instructions on the ballot paper can cause confusion among candidates on issuing how to vote material. The rules allow for numbers or ticks and crosses and the returning officer issued detailed description to all candidates about the wording on the ballot paper. However, the rule can be simplified further to avoid any confusion for the candidates by being more specific.

Rule 23 (l) “Any candidate for an office may on payment of an amount of ten dollars within seven days of the declaration of the poll or ballot, lodge with the Divisional Secretary a demand for a recount” who in turn shall arrange with the Returning Officer for a recount. Once the declaration of results has been issued the Returning Officer has no authority under the Act to do a recount.

## Signed

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## Attachments

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- 1) Declaration of results for Contested Offices – Divisional Offices
- 2) Declaration of Results for uncontested offices NSW Divisional Branch
- 3) Declaration of results for Contested Offices – QLD branch
- 4) Declaration of Results for uncontested offices – VIC branch
- 5) Declaration of Results for uncontested offices – SA branch
- 6) Declaration of Results for uncontested offices – WA branch
- 7) PER – VIC branch
- 8) Consolidated Post election Report – Divisional