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NBN START OF DAY CASE

The NBN Start of Day (etc) case will now be heard on 25 and 26 June. Once it was to be adjourned, it is difficult to get two consecutive days from a court and thus difficult to fit the Court's diary. We suspect that more negotiations will sought from NBN and perhaps a new offer. We will advise in these weekly bulletins of any progress.

OPTUS REDUNDANCIES AGAIN

Optus has advised of further redundancies. This time it affects staff in the Enterprise & Business division and the Procurement function. A total of about 55 jobs are involved. If you are a member and need assistance, please contact us by email (reply to this) or phone.

TELSTRA – JOB FAMILY MUST GO

We get all sorts of complaints about Job Family. This usually involves matters such as pay, bonus payments, performance ratings, Bell curve application and classifications. In the next EBA there is a call for a campaign to demand that Job Family be abandoned. [More](#)

MILEAGE RATES – AWARD APPLICATION

The ACTU has lodged an urgent case in the FWC seeking a minimum 10c-per-kilometre increase to vehicle allowances in modern awards, to address the Iran War-related spike in fuel cost. The Aus Tax Office rate is currently 88c/km.

OPTUS RETAIL EBA NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiations for a new EBA have now commenced. We sought input from members for our CWU Log of Claims. We will present your log to Optus next week. We will include it in the Bulletin next week. Meanwhile Optus has provided its Log of Claims to be included in the new EBA. Below is a summary of the meaningful changes. We have not included a number of technical changes. Your comments are sought and welcome.

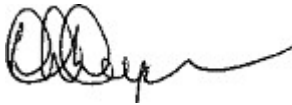
OPTUS RETAIL LOG OF CLAIMS

Clause 13. Will the Base Salary be increased? Optus Retail proposes to: retain the existing approach in the 2023 Agreement to increase the Base Salary by CPI during the term of the 2026 Agreement; [More](#)

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Dwyer', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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