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BACK TO BUSINESS

We are back to almost normal. Weekly bulletins are back following leave and other issues. We appreciate your patience.

MEMBERSHIP MANAGEMENT

Over the past 5 weeks we have had a number of problems as our office manager (Theresa) fell ill and was hospitalised. The good news is that she has received treatment and is recovering well. We hope she will be back soon. Her unexpected absence caused a delay in deducting some membership fees. We have a temporary manager (Alice) who is dealing with our accounts. This should now be addressed and regular deductions will resume. We thank you for your patience during this difficult time.

NATIONAL WAGE CASE

From 1 July 2026, the minimum wage will increase by 5.97%, and award workers will get a 4.75% pay increase. The new national minimum wage will be \$26.44/hour (up from \$24.95), and \$1,004.90/week (up from \$948), based on a full-time 38-hour week. The increases flow from ACTU arguments in the FWC National Wage Case.

TZV SUPPORT EBA

Work has continued on the draft EBA. To pull it all together we have agreed to a one-day workshop on 23 June to deal with the overall draft Agreement. Following that meeting we hope to publish the significant changes and seek feedback.

NBN SOD CASE

There have been a number of legal matters resolved as we approach the hearing. It is set for two days, 25 and 26 June. There are a number of witnesses.

TELSTRA HFC CASE

We have no news to date.

OPTICAL FIBRE CLAIM

Telstra responded to our claim. It is set out below. Telstra claim that they do not understand the claim despite the fact that:

- They were the respondent in the successful Jayawardana Case
- They upgraded at least 35 CFW4s following the case
- They claim to have reviewed all CFW4s involved in Optical Fibre

We will press the claims.

OPTICAL FIBRE CLAIM – TELSTRA RESPONSE

We refer to your correspondence dated 5 May 2026 regarding the classification of Optical Fibre work. We are unclear as to the basis of the CWU's request. While the correspondence refers to assessing employees performing Optical Fibre work against the Core Job Descriptions (CJDs) - specifically at CFW5 - the individuals listed in Annexure A appear to comprise of a broad and mixed cohort.... [More](#)

OUTSOURCING TO INFOSYS

Telstra has advised as following. Any member with difficulties should contact us for assistance. *The employment offer process across Australia and India has concluded, and those who have accepted an offer with Infosys are expected to transition on 20 July 2026.* [More](#)

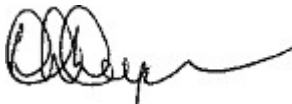
OPTUS MAY BE PARTLY SOLD

The following contains extracts from *The Australian* on 22nd May 2026 from Jared Lynch, Technology Editor. *Optus owner Singtel confirms it will sell minority stake in troubled telco. Optus CEO Stephen Rue says the company is making 'clear and solid progress' as its Singaporean owners announce plans to sell part of the telco* [More](#)

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