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**Subject:** AM2024/11 Application to amend the Nurses Award 2020

Dear Associate,

**Re: AM2024/11 - Application under section 157 of the *Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)* to amend the *Nurses Award 2020***

Further to the Directions issued by his Honour, I confirm that we received the without prejudice document from the Applicant by 5:00pm on Friday, 26 April 2024.

We have not had an opportunity to confer with the Applicant with respect to the without prejudice document. This is solely attributable to a lack of availability on our part. Specifically, we are currently engaged in negotiations to replace the *Nurses and Midwives (Victorian Public Sector)(Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2020 – 2024*, whose nominal expiry date was 30 April 2024 and with respect to which industrial action is occurring. We hope to have the opportunity to confer soon and we apologise for the inconvenience.

For the same reason, we are a reluctant apology for today's report back.



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