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The Hon. Justice IJK Ross  
Fair Work Commission  
11 Exhibition Street  
Melbourne VIC 3000

By email: chambers.ross.j@fwc.gov.au

Dear Justice Ross,

**Re. Group 4 Awards – Substantive Issues**

We refer to a statement<sup>1</sup> issued by Your Honour on 1 October 2018 (**Statement**) concerning substantive issues arising from modern awards allocated to 'group 4' in the context of the current 4 yearly review of modern awards. At paragraph [4] of the Statement, interested parties were directed to confirm in writing "whether there are any variations or additions to substantive claims that are being pressed in the Group 4 awards".

The Australian Industry Group (**Ai Group**) writes to advise that it intends to seek a variation to the *Professional Employees Award 2010* concerning the classifications for employees under the 'information technology and telecommunications stream', in light of changes to the membership criteria of the Australian Computer Society to which the classifications are linked.

Ai Group has had discussions with Professionals Australia regarding this matter. The discussions are continuing and the parties are endeavouring to reach agreement on the matter.

Ai Group has not identified any other variations or additions to be made to the list of substantive claims annexed to the Statement.

Yours sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> *4 yearly review of modern awards – Award stage – Group 4 awards – Substantive Issues* [2018] FWC 6107.