



MARITIME ALERT

Ports of Auckland dispute update 21 August 2013



Since the last MUNZ update we have attended two facilitation meetings during the week of the 23rd July 2013.

The union has found it extremely disappointing and frustrating that the Ports of Auckland CEO Tony Gibson chose not to attend so no progress was made in settling the outstanding issues between the company and the union.

The union is committed to the facilitation process and will continue to endeavour to achieve a result on behalf of its membership. The message the company has delivered at the facilitation meetings was simply that there will be no negotiation on the shift rosters because the company has a position and it would not be moving from it.

It was good to have the membership turn to at the recent stopwork meeting to hear a full and comprehensive report on the Ports of Auckland dispute from President

Garry Parsloe which was ticked off with full knowledge of the current position and an endorsement to continue to negotiate with a view to conclude on their behalf. Early in November is the commencement of a number of court cases which our legal team are currently preparing for. We are reasonably confident of having strong cases to put before the courts.

Shuttle trucks not manned by Stevedores but by the wholly owned subsidiary Conlinxx are moving containers between the container terminals, this is something the union is looking closely at.

Garry Parsloe
President Local 13

Auckland Council Election and Living Wage Forum

On Thursday 22nd August 4pm to 6pm at the Papatoetoe Cosmopolitan Club 53 Rangitoto Road there is a meeting of the Local Board Candidates for the upcoming local body elections. We are asking as many members as possible to attend.

Fairness at work rally

On the 28th of August at 1pm is the rally at the Vodafone Events Centre Manukau City to protest against the upcoming changes before Parliament to the ERA. It is important we attend in numbers from Local 13 as parts of these changes are as a direct result of our dispute.

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