
Press release

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SUEZ AND ACT WASTE COLLECTION DRIVERS REACH IN-PRINCIPLE AGREEMENT

SUEZ has been advised by the Transport Workers' Union (TWU) that an in-principle agreement has been reached as part of ongoing bargaining negotiations.

The interruption to services in some Canberra suburbs as a result of recent protected industrial action by the TWU is regrettable and we apologise to residents and the ACT Government for the disruption.

This agreement reflects the seventh offer made to drivers of 8.3% over three years with the addition of a 1.9% wage increase for the final three months of the existing contract beginning with the first pay period on or after 1 August 2023.

Following the written confirmation received from the TWU and a further meeting held on 8 December, the parties will work together and expect to hold a formal vote by the end of the year. If successful and then approved by the Fair Work Commission (FWC), the agreement will operate with a nominal expiry date of 28 October 2023.

SUEZ values the work which our drivers undertake and is pleased they have accepted this offer.

We appreciate the assistance provided by the FWC in facilitating negotiations to date.

The ACT Government contracts us to collect residents' household waste and we're pleased that this in-principle agreement will allow us to continue to do that as we enter the festive season.

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