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Peter Rozen QC
Reviewer
Independent Agent Review

By email:

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Dear Mr Rozen,

**Re: CFMEU Submission re Victorian Workers' Compensation System:
Independent Review into the Agent Model and the Management of
Complex Claims**

The Construction and General Division of the CFMEU endorses the recommendations of the Victorian Trades Hall Council in terms of the review into complex WorkCover claims and as such we do not propose to make separate submissions.

Beyond this, the CFMEU notes that the Ombudsman reports highlight the need for a comprehensive review of the WorkCover scheme in its entirety. The CFMEU most certainly welcomes this recommendation.

There are a growing number of issues within the current WorkCover model that affect CFMEU members. Our members are exposed to high-risk work settings, and



when they suffer injuries they are often serious and life changing. It is paramount we have a transparent scheme which is worker friendly and has streamlined processes for timely dispute resolution. This will go a long way in getting members the support they require and most of all, having them reengaged into the workforce as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,



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