

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

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**NOTICE OF PARTICULARS OF AUTHORISATION AND
DECLARATION OF AUTHORISED OFFICER**

I, Shane Thompson of 67a Aberdare Road, Aberdare, in the state of New South Wales, union official, give notice of the following matters in relation to the rules of the Mining and Energy Union, Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch.

1. I am the District Secretary of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch of the Mining and Energy Union.
2. The Mining and Energy Union (“**the MEU**”) is an organisation of employees registered under the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.
3. I am authorised to give this notice of particulars of alterations to the rules of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch of the MEU and to make this declaration as required by regulation 126 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009*.
4. The Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch of the MEU has sought to alter its Rules to allow for the introduction of a District Vice-President (E), at the discretion of the Board of Management, whenever membership and operational needs require. Particulars of the alterations the subject of this notification are annexed to this declaration and marked **Annexure ‘A’**. An explanation of each change is as below;
 - (a) Rule 8(1) of the Rules provides that the Committee of Management of the District Branch shall be the Board of Management. The Board of Management shall be composed of the District Executive Officers, the District Central Councillors, such number of Mining Lodge representatives and Energy member representatives that shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Management and one (1) female affirmative action representative.

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- (b) Rule 8(ii)(c) currently provides that the District President, District Vice-President (A), District Vice-President (B), District Vice-President (C), District Vice-President (D), District Secretary, District Central Councillors, including the Female Central Councillor, District Check Inspector (A), District Check Inspector (B).... shall have a deliberative vote at any meeting of the Board of Management. The proposed change to Rule 8(ii)(c) includes an additional District Vice-President (E).
 - (c) The proposed rule change includes the addition of Rule 8(k), which would allow the Board of Management to determine, from time to time, if the office of District Vice-President (E) is required for the effective operation of the District Branch. If it is determined that the position is required then it will be filled by way of an election in accordance with Rule 17 of the MEU Rules.
 - (d) The proposed rule change includes the addition of Rule 10(b), which allows for the position of District Vice-President (E) to be a member of the Board of Management and to have a deliberative vote at any meeting of the Board.
 - (e) The proposed rule change includes a reference to District Vice-President (E) in Rule 10(ii)(b).
5. I declare that the alterations particularised in the **Annexure 'A'** were to the best of my knowledge made in accordance with the Rules of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch of the MEU, in particular Rules 8 and 14. The actions taken under the Rules to make this alteration included the following:
- (a) On 6 August 2025, in accordance with Rule 14(b), I caused a draft proposed rule change to be sent by email to the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Rules Committee (Committee) for discussion, and for the Committee to provide a report to the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Board of Management (BOM).
 - (b) On 1 July 2025, and in accordance with Rule 8(ii) and Rule 14 of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Rules, I caused the BOM members to be notified by email of a BOM meeting to convene on 13 August 2025. A draft agenda, a copy of the proposed rule change to allow for the introduction of Vice-President (E), along with a copy of the report of the Rules Committee was provided. A copy of the proposed rule change sent to the BOM is attached and marked Annexure 'A'.

(c) On 13 August 2025, and in accordance with Rule 8(ii)(b) and Rule 14 of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Rules, a quorum of the BOM unanimously endorsed the proposed Rule change of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District to allow for the introduction of the position of Vice-President (E), at the discretion of the Board of Management. A copy of the resolution is attached and marked Annexure 'B'.

6. On behalf of the Northern Mining and NSW Energy District Branch of the MEU, I provide consent for the correcting of any other typographical, clerical or formal errors associated with this application, provided that the errors are first notified to the District Branch for comment. I confirm that I am authorised to give the aforementioned consent under section 159(2) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*.
7. I have requested that the Northern Mining & NSW Energy District Branch post on its website a notification in relation to the rule changes the subject of this notice and declaration as soon as practicable following the lodgement of the notice.
8. I declare that the particulars set out in this notice are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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Shane Thompson
District Secretary
Northern Mining & NSW Energy District
Mining and Energy Union