

# Amalgamation Post Ballot Report

*Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

## MARITIME UNION OF AUSTRALIA, THE

### **BALLOT COVERED IN THIS REPORT**

Ballot Number: D2017/5

### **RULES**

Rules used for this ballot: [182V: This Rulebook incorporates the alterations of 27/03/2017 in matter R2016/325

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: Nil  
(in relation to the amalgamation ballot only)

### **BALLOT**

Total number of persons on the roll of voters: 11,760

Total number of ballot paper issued: 11,848 (includes all ballot papers issued as postal ballot and replacement ballot)

Total number of ballot papers returned undelivered by close of ballot: 166

Total number of ballot papers/envelopes returned for scrutiny: 5,782

Total number of ballot papers/envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny: 180

Total number of ballot papers admitted to scrutiny: 5,602

**Question for voters:** Do you approve the proposed amalgamation of The Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) with the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) and the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia (TCFUA), in accordance with the scheme for amalgamation, a copy of the outline of which has been sent to you with this ballot paper?

Total number of votes in favour of the question set out on the ballot paper: 4,797

Total number of voters not in favour of the question set out on the ballot paper: 780

Total number of informal ballot papers: 25

**Question for voters:** If the proposed amalgamation in relation to which you have just recorded your vote does not take place, do you approve of the amalgamation of The Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) with the other organisation (Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU)) involved in the alternative proposal for the amalgamation?

Total number of votes in favour of the question set out on the ballot paper: 4,824

Total number of voters not in favour of the question set out on the ballot paper: 727

Total number of informal ballot papers: 51

## **ROLL OF VOTERS**

Total number of voters on the roll: 11,760

Number of apparent workplace address: Not provided

Number of non-current addresses: 21 (on the original list only)

Other matters pertaining to the roll: Nil

## **IRREGULARITIES**

Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC: Nil

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: A total of 109 replacement ballot materials were issued for this ballot due to voters declaring they either lost or did not receive their ballot materials. Three of the voters returned both their original and replacement ballot papers. In one instance, both of the voter's replacement and original ballot papers were admitted into the scrutiny in error resulting in one circumstance of multiple voting. This has not affected the result of the ballot for both ballot questions.