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Dear Associate

Modern Award Review: Family and domestic violence leave clause (AM 2015/1)

We refer to our letter dated 14 November 2016 and confirm that the State of Victoria intends to appear at the hearing of closing submissions in the Fair Work Commission's Modern Award Review regarding a model family and domestic violence leave clause.

Melinda Richards SC, Crown Counsel for Victoria, will appear for the State of Victoria.

We note the Directions issued by the Commission on 21 November 2016 to any party wishing to address the Full Bench during the hearing of closing submissions on 1 and 2 December 2016. This outline of submissions is filed in accordance with those Directions.

The State of Victoria wishes to address the following matters in closing submissions, to supplement its written submission filed on 16 May 2016:

1. The State of Victoria's decision to introduce entitlements to family violence leave in enterprise agreements that cover its employees;
2. The report and recommendations of the Royal Commission into Family Violence, and the response of the State of Victoria; and
3. The adoption and implementation of family violence leave entitlements in the Victorian public sector.

We estimate that we will require approximately 30-45 minutes for these closing submissions.

Please contact David Catanese, Managing Principal Solicitor, if you require any additional information regarding any of the above.

Yours faithfully
Victorian Government Solicitor's Office

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J.Parker'.

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