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UNITED FIREFIGHTERS' UNION OF AUSTRALIA, QLD BRANCH ELECTIONS

The Australian Electoral Commission of Queensland (AEC) has announced the dates for the elections for the Executive and Committee of Management positions of the *United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Queensland Branch*.

Positions to be filled are as outlined in the attached Notice of Election.

Nominations open on <u>THURSDAY 15TH MARCH, 2012</u> and will close at 5:00pm on <u>MONDAY 2ND APRIL 2012</u>.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION, NOT THE UNION, AND NOTE THE OPENING AND CLOSING DATES CAREFULLY.

The Notice of Election and a nomination form is attached to this CODE 2. Additional nomination forms are available by contacting the Union office on 3844-0366, or from the Union's web site www.ufug.com.au

As previously advised to members, the *United Firefighters Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland* (the 'State Union') has been granted an exemption from holding an election for the comparable positions in that body. This means the members elected to the positions within the UFU of A, Queensland Branch will hold the comparable positions within the State Union.

Members also need to notify the Union office if they are currently employed by QFRS in <u>more than one</u> category, for example, a full time Firefighter who also works as an Auxiliary or an Auxiliary who also works as a Communications Officer <u>OR</u> if you have changed your address, rank or region.

John Oliver State Secretary

UNITED FIREFIGHTERS' UNION OF AUSTRALIA

QUEENSLAND BRANCH **Election Notice**

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

Nominations are called for:

Branch President

Branch Senior Vice President

Branch Junior Vice President

Branch Secretary

Branch Assistant Secretary

Branch Executive Members (3)

Branch Committee of Management - Officer Delegates (8)

from the following Regions: Far Northern (1), Northern (1), Central (1), North Coast (1), Brisbane (2), South Eastern (1), South Western (1).

Branch Committee of Management - Firefighter Delegates (11)

from the following Regions: Far Northern (1), Northern (1), Central (1), North Coast (1), Brisbane (4), South Eastern (2), South Western (1).

Branch Committee of Management – Communication Centres

Delegate (1)

Branch Committee of Management – Senior Officer Delegate (1)

Branch Committee of Management – Auxiliary Firefighter Delegates (2)

as follows: Auxiliary Firefighter Delegate - North (1), Auxiliary Firefighter Delegate - South (1)

Written Nominations which comply with the Union's registered rules, may be made at any time from Thursday 15 March 2012. They must reach my office or postal address not later than 5.00 pm on Monday 2 April 2012. Nominations may be withdrawn by written notification received by the Returning Officer not later than 5.00 pm on Thursday 12 April 2012.

Nomination Forms are available from me or the registered office of the Organisation. The use of these forms is not compulsory provided that nominations comply with the rules.

HOW TO LODGE NOMINATIONS

By Hand:

AEC, North Lakes Area Office, Suite 5.1, Level 1, 12 Endeavour Blvd, North

Lakes Q 4509

By Post:

Australian Electoral Commission, PO Box 1205, North Lakes Q 4509

By Fax:

(07) 3049 2120

Ballot: If a ballot is necessary, voting material will be posted on Monday 23 April 2012, to eligible members at the address shown in the Union's records. Any such ballot will close at 5:00 pm on Tuesday 8 May 2012.

Changed Address? Advise the Union now.

Note: A copy of the AEC's election report can be obtained from the organisation or from me after the completion of the election.

Steve Gillespie

Returning Officer

Phone: 3049 2100

15 March 2012

NOMINATION FORM

United Firefighters' Union of Australia Queensland Branch

NOTE:

- Nominations open on 15 March 2012 and must reach the Returning Officer at his office or postal address, as shown below, not later than 5:00 pm on Monday 2 April 2012.
 Nominations cannot be withdrawn after 5.00 pm on Thursday 12 April 2012.
- 2. Prospective candidates and nominators should verify their financial status and any other qualifications required by the Union's rules before lodging nominations.

CANDIDATE: Full Name (block letters):	We, the undersig	ned financial men	nbers of the Queensland Branch, r	ominate:
For the Office of:				
Region (where relevant):		(A list of offices is sh	nown on the reverse side of this form.)	
NOMINATORS: Full Name (block letters)			Signature	Date
		1150		//2012
	<i>1</i> 25			//2012
				//2012
NOTE: The rules of your Organisation require that a candidate be nominated by TWO other financial members of the Branch (for Branch positions) or Region (for Regional positions).				
CANDIDATE'S CONSENT: (Print your name as you wish to appear on the ballot paper)				
	consent to no	omination for the a	above office for which I am eligible	under the rules.
POSTAL ADDRESS:				
			Postcode:	
TELEPHONE:	Work:		Home :	
	Mobile :			
SIGNATURE and DATE:	Signed :		_	// 2012
NOTE:				

* As a candidate you will be sent an acknowledgment by return mail.

* It is your responsibility to ensure that your nomination is received by the Returning Officer BEFORE nominations close.

POSTAL ADDRESS :		
Australian Electoral Commission		
Steve Gillespie, Returning Officer		
PO Box 1205		
NORTH LAKES QLD 4509		