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### **AMENDED VERSION**

## LOCAL BRANCH ELECTIONS

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) has announced the dates for the elections for each of the local Branches of the *United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland*.

Positions to be filled for local branches are President, Secretary, Officer Executive Representative and Firefighter Executive Representative within Townsville, Sunshine Coast, Mackay, Maryborough and Beenleigh.

Nominations open at midday on <u>Wednesday 21 November 2012</u>, and will close at midday on <u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2012</u>.

<u>PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE LODGED WITH THE ELECTORAL</u> <u>COMMISSION OF QUEENSLAND, **NOT THE UNION,** AND NOTE THE OPENING AND CLOSING DATES CAREFULLY.</u>

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

I encourage all members to give consideration to nominating and having input at your local branch level into the running of the Union.

John Oliver State Secretary

# United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland Notice of Election

The Queensland Industrial Registrar has issued Decisions, pursuant to the *Industrial Relations Act 1999*, that the Electoral Commission of Queensland conduct an election for positions of office within the United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland.

Office	No. of Positions	Office	No. of Positions
Beenleigh Branch		Sunshine Coast Branch	<u>1</u>
Officer Executive Representative	1	President	
Mackay Branch President Officer Executive Representative	1	Officer Executive Repre	
Maryborough Branch Officer Executive Representative Firefighter Executive Representativ	1	Townsville Branch Firefighter Executive Re	epresentative 1

# Nominations close at midday on Wednesday, 19 December 2012 Nominations

Nominations open at midday on Wednesday, 21 November 2012. All nominations must be written, signed by the nominee, be in accordance with rule 19 and reach the Electoral Commission of Queensland no later than midday on Wednesday, 19 December 2012. A nomination form is printed with this notice. Additional forms can be obtained either from the Union or the Electoral Commission of Queensland. Any form of nomination complying with the Union's Election Rules is acceptable.

Only members of the Branch may be candidates for positions within the Branch, provided that:

- (i) Nominations for any position must be in writing and signed by the candidate who, at the closing date of nominations, is a financial member who has been continuously financial for the two (2) years prior to the closing date of nominations or a life member of the Union still employed in the industry.
- (ii) Nominations must be signed by two financial members of the Branch.
- (iii) Only persons who are firefighters usually or ordinarily employed in the branch at the close of nominations for Branch executive positions will be eligible to nominate for the firefighter Branch executive position.
- (iv) Only persons who are officers usually or ordinarily employed in the Branch at the close of nominations for Branch executive positions will be eligible to nominate for the officer Branch executive position.

Nominations may be received by means of hand delivery, post, facsimile or any other electronic means that includes the signatures of the nominees and nominators. Nominees should ensure that their nomination is received by the Commission and can be clearly read.

A candidate may withdraw their nomination by written notice given to the Commission no later than 7 days after nominations close.

Acknowledgement correspondence from the Commission will be sent via email. Please ensure your email address has been provided on the nomination form.

#### **Ballot**

If necessary, the Commission will take a secret postal ballot of eligible members commencing Tuesday, 29 January 2013 and closing at midday on Tuesday, 19 February 2013.

All financial members of the Branch, who were financial members of the Union 30 days before nominations open, usually or ordinarily employed in the Branch shall be entitled to vote for all Branch executive positions including the firefighter Branch executive position and the officer Branch executive position without regard to whether those voting members are firefighters or officers.

The Roll of Voters is prepared following the close of nominations. Ballots are decided by optional preferential voting.



JAMES STUART Returning Officer 14 November 2012



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# United Firefighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employees, Queensland Nomination Form

### Nominations close at midday on Wednesday, 19 December 2012

We the undersigned financia	I members of the United Firef	fighters' Union of Australia, Union of Employ	/ees,
Queensland from	(Propoh nomo)	Branch, hereby nominate	į
Member No:	Ms/Mr/Other: (Courtesy Title, If any) (P	Print the full name of the person you are nominating) osition/s that the nominee is representing)	O.C.
President Officer Executive F		cretary refighter Executive Representative	
Membership No.	Full Name	Signature	
And I,(Print your name a United Firefighters' Ur	Consent to Norse syou would like it to appear on the ballot nion of Australia, Unioname)	a financial member of bit paper) ion of Employees, Queensland for Branch, do hereby agree to be nominated ar	from
(Mobile)	Facsim	mile:	
Signature:		Date:	

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