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PARTIES: Boral Construction Materials Group Limited -&- The Australian Workers' Union, New South Wales

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BORAL COUNTRY BATCH PLANT OPERATORS

July 2001



1. TITLE

This Agreement shall be known as the Boral Country Concrete & Quarries Country Batch Plant Operators Agreement 2001.

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3. APPLICATION

This Agreement shall apply to employees employed by Boral Construction Materials Group Limited engaged to undertake work for Boral Country Concrete & Quarries, engaged under the Boral Resources (Country) Pty Ltd Concrete Batching Industry (State) Consolidated Award at sites operated by Boral Resources (Country) Pty Limited in New South Wales.

4. PARTIES TO THE AWARD

The parties to this Agreement are:

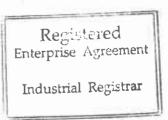
- (a) Boral Construction Materials Group Limited.
- (b) Batch Plant Operators employed by Boral Country Concrete & Quarries engaged under the Boral Resources Country Pty Limited Concrete Batching Industry (State) Consolidated Award (the Batchers).
- (c) Australian Workers Union of Australia New South Wales Branch (the AWU).

5. RELATIONSHIP TO PARENT AWARD

- **5.1** This Agreement shall be read and construed in conjunction with the Boral Resources (Country) Pty Limited Concrete Batching Industry (State) Consolidated Award.
- **5.2** This Agreement shall prevail over the Award to the extent that this Agreement is inconsistent with the Award or covers the same matters as the Award.

6. TERM OF AGREEMENT

- 6.1 This Agreement shall come into operation on the 10th October 2001 and shall have a nominal term of 2 years.
- 6.2 There shall be no further claims by either party for Award or over Award during the term of this Agreement. However, either party reserves the right to negotiate should there be proposed significant change to the workplace.

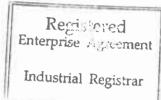


7. **OBJECTIVES OF AGREEMENT**

- The aim of these changes is to improve productivity and flexibility, and 7.1 achieve total customer satisfaction through world best practice.
- To ensure that this is achieved the Company, and the Country Batch 7.2 Plant Operators will:
 - improve customer focus; (a)
 - emphasise support for all people who work for the organisation; (b)
 - encourage continuous improvement in all facets of the business; (c)
 - maintain continuous improvement culture; and (d)
 - teamwork with driver personnel. (e)

and

- develop flexibility and teamwork; (f)
- commitment to a safe workplace. (g)



- This Agreement supports these objectives by outlining the key 7.3 elements whereby Country Batch Plant Operators may by agreement contribute to this process, namely:
 - operating a wider variety of plant and vehicles in a broader (a) range of applications;
 - batching concrete: (b)
 - (c) driving trucks:
 - taking concrete samples; (d)
 - individual commitment and responsibility for work performed; (e)
 - on-going development of their skills; (f)
 - maintaining their plants (fixed and mobile). (g)
- The Agreement reflects not only changes in working arrangements but 7.4 also a changing attitude towards work, which will result in improved customer service.
- These outcomes will be attained by training and work experience to 7.5 enable all employees to achieve, contribute to and gain greater reward from their employment.

8. **WORKING HOURS**

- The ordinary hours of employment shall be 38 hours per week. 8.1
- 8.2 Ordinary hours under this Agreement may be worked between the hours of 6.00am - 5.00pm on any one day Monday to Friday with individual employees having staggered start times by agreement.
- Starting times will be notified by the end of the previous day's plant 8.3 closure and will range between 6.00am to 8.00am. In some instances later starting employees (after 7.00am) may finish earlier without having completed 8 hours work (e.g. wet weather) with consent of relevant manager and without loss of remuneration.

9. LEAVE

9.1 Annual Leave

Both parties acknowledge that the Christmas period through to February often involves lower customer demand, and if as a result less plants are required to be open and if insufficient volunteers are available, the Company may require employees to take annual leave at this time in accordance with the provisions of the Annual Holidays Act, provided that such employees have sufficient accrued leave.

9.2 <u>Leave Reductions</u>

The company reserves the right to direct an employee with one months notice for annual leave or 3 months notice for long service leave to reduce outstanding leave liability to the following:

- Annual Leave hold a maximum bank of 6 weeks outstanding (including prorate and accrued).
- Long Service Leave hold a maximum bank of 12 weeks.

10. CASUAL EMPLOYMENT

- 10.1 Casual employees may be engaged on a day-by-day basis.
- **10.2** Casual employees will generally be engaged only when required as a result of injury, sickness, annual leave or absentee replacement, or business overflow.
- 10.3 The minimum engagement shall be four (4) hours.

11. INTERSITE FLEXIBILITY

All employees, the subject of this Agreement, may be required to work out of any plant at short notice, to meet the needs of the customer.

- 11.1 At commencement of employment each Employee will be directed to work in a designated concrete plant operated by the Employer (hereinafter referred to as "the designated area"). This designated area will be agreed to with each individual employee in his or her letter of offer and will be placed on his or her personnel file.
- 11.2 Employees may be directed by the Employer to transfer to any plant operated by the employer within the designated area and such transfer may be on a daily, weekly, fortnightly or permanent basis. If the distance travelled to another plant is greater than the driver travels to his or her designated plant, a km rate will be paid @ \$0.68/km for the excess.
- 11.3 If in the event an employee is directed to another site after arriving at designated plant. Then the rate will be paid on the distance to the other site.

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12. BATCHERS DUTIES

- 12.1 All Country Batch Plant Operators may be required to operate and perform service work (see duties attachment) on all plants operating in Boral Country Concrete & Quarries' concrete plants and quarries on a site specific basis. Where a Country Batch Plant Operator is not competent to operate or service a particular plant the company will provide training as necessary to ensure such Country Batch Plant Operator becomes competent to safely perform such tasks on the plant. In addition Country Batch Plant Operators will be trained to competently operate other plants.
- **12.2** It is the intention of this Agreement that ultimately all employees will, where necessary, on a site specific basis be able to assist and relieve within the company's batching plants and quarry operations.
- **12.3** The primary task is operating and batching from:
 - (a) Front End Loader plants
 - (b) Overhead Bin plants
 - (c) A computerised batch plant requiring the use of a keyboard.

And may include:

- (d) Manufacture of concrete
- (e) Despatching
- (f) Generating dockets
- (g) Ordering of raw materials
- (h) Determination of charges to customers
- (i) Determination of payments to carters
- (j) Plant Security
- (k) First Aid
- (I) Plant Maintenance (fixed and mobile)
- (m) Housekeeping
- (n) Stocktaking
- (o) Operating Front End Loaders
- (p) Collecting Cash
- (q) Banking
- (r) Use of Equifax system
- (s) Operation of National Docketing System
- (t) Daily allocation of trucks available at your plant

Other Country Batch Plant Operator Duties may include:

- (a) Checking pre start up Check List.
- (b) Time sheets filled in correctly.
- (c) Daily Fuel Reports filled in correctly.
- (d) Compliance with company Quality Assurance Procedure in mixing and delivery of concrete and loading and delivery of raw materials.
- (e) Compliance with all Statutory and company requirements in regards to mass weight limits.
- (f) Plant appearance to be maintained to company standards.



- (g) Correct operation of two-way radios, CB units and mobile telephones.
- (h) Spreading and stockpiling where required.
- (i) Cleaning of yards and site amenities.
- (j) Abide by all company policies, which may be updated from time to time.
- (k) Control as directed over timesheets and supervision of hours worked by other plant staff and drivers.
- **12.4** On an as required site specific basis Country Batch Plant Operators may assist by:
 - (a) Driving all classes of vehicles.
 - (b) Driving Front End Loaders.
 - (c) Driving trucks.
 - (d) Assisting in maintenance.
 - (e) Servicing of plant and equipment.
 - (f) Working in quarries.
 - (g) Testing of concrete.
 - (h) Quarry Industry Work.
 - (i) Accurate slumping as required.
- **12.5** It is expected that when an employee is making contact with a customer, in company uniform, a civil, professional and courteous approach will apply in all aspects of customer relations.

12.6 Concrete and Quarry Operations Duties List

Concrete
Concrete batching
Concrete testing
Dispatch duties
Front-end loader driving

Servicing of plant & equipment

General maintenance

Driving trucks

Quarries

Weighbridge/dispatch Haul truck driving Sales loader

Face loader

Plant operator - fixed/mobile

Laboratory duties General maintenance



13. WAGE INCREASES

- **13.1** From the first full pay period after the date of approval of this Agreement each employee's ordinary time rate of pay shall be increased by 3%. From the first full pay period to commence after the first anniversary of this Agreement, each employee's ordinary time rate of pay shall be increased by 3%.
- **13.2** Country Batch Plant Operators who complete the Country Batch Plant Operators Training Course Stage 1 Modules 1-6 will be moved from Grade 3 to Grade 4.

14. CALL BACK

If any employee is called back to work after leaving the work place a minimum payment of 2 hours @ double time and 2 hours @ time and a $\frac{1}{2}$ of ordinary rate shall be paid.

15. ALLOWANCES

15.1 If a CBPO has not had a lunch break before 2.00pm, then the CBPO will be entitled to claim a lunch allowance.

16. ROSTERED DAYS OFF

- **16.1** Up to a maximum of 6 RDO's may be accrued throughout the year, which may be cashed out at Christmas time, at ordinary rates of pay.
- **16.2** An employee may still opt to take RDO's as they fall due, and not participate in the cash out offer.
- **16.3** Employees and managers must work towards clearing all RDO's wherever practicable to nil outstanding at 31st March each year, regardless of which option is chosen.
- **16.4** A bank of 3 RDO's may be carried over from one anniversary to the next.

17. SICK PAY

Any employee taking a maximum of 2 sick days in any one calendar year shall receive an incentive payment equivalent to 3 ordinary days pay at the end of the calendar year.

If a sick day is taken either side of a Public Holiday, RDO or Annual Leave day a medical certificate must be supplied.

18. PAYMENT OF WAGES

Employees shall be paid weekly by way of electronic transfer of funds.

19. LENGTH OF SERVICE RECOGNITION

Boral Country Concrete & Quarries has a stable and loyal workforce. To recognise the dedication of our employees a Long Service Recognition program has been put in place. The program recognises significant milestones reached by our people throughout their working life. Upon passing each phase employees will receive a suitable recognition award.

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The significant milestones of employment shall be after:

5 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque 10 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque and \$200 Gift Voucher 15 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque 20 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque 25 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plague, \$500 Gift Voucher and Dinner to the value of \$120. Alternatively a gold watch with Boral Logo instead of Gift Voucher. 30 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque 35 years continuous full time contribution Recognition of Service Plaque

Recognition of Service Plaque and \$750 Gift Voucher

40 years continuous full time contribution

Recognition of Service Plaque

20. TRAINING

All employees, subject to this Agreement, may be asked to undertake training and education as required by the employer. Such training shall be conducted in normal working hours.

Training may include, but not be limited to:

- Job skills as drivers and plant operators in Concrete and Quarry Operations
- OH&S
- Environmental
- Communication skills
- Customer Service and Feedback
- Continuous Improvement
- The Batchers Responsibility
- Multi-skilling
- First Aid
- Fleet Maintenance

The company will ensure that an equal opportunity to train is given to all employees under this agreement.

The cost of all training shall be paid for by Boral Country Concrete & Quarries.

Every effort will be given by the company to ensure that all Country Batch Plant Operators reach the level of competency required.



21. SAFETY

All Country Batch Plant Operators will be actively involved either as individuals or in safety teams to:

- (a) assess any potential safety hazards and propose measures to control or eliminate such hazards;
- (b) assist workmates in improving safety culture whilst at work.
- (c) Participate in site safety inspections and enthusiastically assist in site safety recommendations and improvements.
- (d) Reporting of incidents shall be encouraged and such reporting shall not be prejudicial to employment.

22. ENVIRONMENT

All Boral Country Concrete & Quarries Country Batch Plant Operators will maintain and comply with license conditions of each individual site's Environmental and Protection Authority License and Local Government Environmental Guidelines.

23. ISSUE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

The following procedure shall apply for the resolution of any issue.

- 23.1 Any employee (accompanied by a third party if he so wishes) having any issue shall discuss the matter with their immediate manager/supervisor who will take prompt action to investigate the matter and endeavour to resolve it.
- 23.2 If the matter is not resolved at this level it shall be referred to the Area Manager/Regional Manager who will also take prompt action to resolve the issue.
- 23.3 Should the matter still remain unresolved the employee, the Union Delegate, the Plant Manager/Supervisor and the Area Manager/Regional Manager shall meet to resolve the issue.
 - Note: All efforts should be made to resolve the matter at steps 1, 2 and 3.
- **23.4** If not resolved, the matter will be further discussed between the Branch Secretary or other appropriate official of the Union and the appropriate representative of the employer.
- **23.5** If the matter cannot be resolved by the parties nominated the matter shall be referred to the Industrial Relations Commission.
- 23.6 Until the matter is determined in accordance with the above procedure no industrial action will be taken and work shall continue normally.
- **23.7** Neither party will be prejudiced in the final settlement of the matter by virtue of the continuation of work in accordance with this clause.

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24. REVIEW OF AGREEMENT

The parties agree to review this Agreement no later than twelve weeks prior to its date of expiry.

The review will examine the operation of the Agreement and any changes to be made for future agreements and consider whether the parties will enter into further agreements.

25. CODE OF CONDUCT

25.1 Licences

Country Batch Plant Operators will not operate any vehicle, plant or equipment for which they are not appropriately licensed.

25.2 Alcohol & Drugs

No Country Batch Plant Operator shall drive or operate any company vehicle or item of plant whilst under the influence of non-prescribed drugs or alcohol. To do so will be considered grounds for instant dismissal.

25.3 Documentation

Where applicable Delivery Dockets are to be signed and dated as and where required as proof of delivery. Company documentation (e.g. including time arrived and departed from site) is to be completed by the employee and detail all relevant information from contract documents and signed by the receiver. On delivery, the receiver's signature is to be obtained as proof of delivery.

25.4 Appearance and Conduct

Employees are to dress and present themselves neatly at all times when on company business. The company provided uniform will be worn at all times.

Disputes with any client are not to be pursued and must at all times be referred to management for resolution as soon as possible.

25.5 Safety Equipment

Employees are required to observe all safety precautions and procedures including the wearing of seat belts, protective clothing & equipment, and high-visibility clothing as issued.

25.6 Accidents

It is the responsibility of all Country Batch Plant Operators to advise the employer of any accidents or damage to company property.

25.7 Theft

Theft of any property from either company or client whether for financial gain or not, will be passed on to the authorities for prosecution of the employee(s) concerned and will lead to the summary dismissal of the employee(s) if proven guilty.

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25.8 Company Property

Any employee who is proved to have abused company equipment may face disciplinary action, which may result in summary dismissal.

25.9 Company Costs

It is expected that all employees will endeavour to save company costs wherever possible, eg:

Use lowest cost mix appropriate for job Turn off lights

These are examples only. There are other cost savings, which can be obtained through the diligence of the Country Batch Plant Operators.

25.10 Boral Resources (Country) is involved in Quality Assurance Accreditation AS/NZS ISO 9002:1994. All Country Batch Plant Operators must therefore familiarise themselves with the quality system and abide by all relevant guidelines, eg. Work Instructions and Quality Manuals.

26. UNION ACCESS

Refer Industrial Relations Act 1996.



27. STAFF TO FILL IN ON AN AS REQUIRED BASIS

Salaried employees may perform award work where award employees are unavailable and the needs of the business require such work to be performed in urgent or emergency situations subject to skills, competence and training and induction of employee.

28. ANNUALISED SALARIES

During the life of this agreement, consultation between the parties, shall consider the introduction of annualised salaries.

29. REDUNDANCY

As per Award.

30. INCOME PROTECTION

Boral will agree to deduct from employees wages a nominated amount of money into an income protection fund nominated by the enterprise agreement consultative committee. Boral will not accept liability for personal losses incurred under the nominated income protection scheme.

31. BONUSES

Raw Materials Loss Gain

If at the end of each 6-month period the total loss of raw materials is less than shown in the following table (Table 1), then bonuses will be paid as per Table 1.

| 1 st Year | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|--|--|
| <u>Title</u> | <u>Loss</u> | <u>Bonus</u> | | |
| Cement | < 2% | \$25/6 mth | | |
| Flyash | < 2% | \$25/6 mth | | |
| Coarse Aggregate | < 4% | \$25/6 mth | | |
| Fine Aggregate | < 4% | \$25/6 mth | | |

| 2 nd Year | | | | | |
|----------------------|------|--------------|--|--|--|
| <u>Title</u> | Loss | <u>Bonus</u> | | | |
| Cement | < 2% | \$30/6 mth | | | |
| Flyash | < 2% | \$30/6 mth | | | |
| Coarse Aggregate | < 4% | \$30/6 mth | | | |
| Fine Aggregate | < 4% | \$30/6 mth | | | |

Table 1



| SIGNED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF Boral in the presence of (Signature of Witness) Frances Sultana (Name of Witness) | Name: Andrew Mencer General Manager | / |
|---|---|---|
| SIGNED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF the AWU and the Batchers in the presence of (Signature of Witness) MALK SHICK (Name of Witness) | Name: Reginiered Enterprise Agreement | |