



Dear Region 6 Members,

We have great news! Earlier today and after much pressure, **Transit Systems reluctantly agreed to pass on the 2.5% Government-funded wage increase to 900 drivers!**

This victory was only possible because **you and many other union members stood together to demand justice and threaten to take industrial action.** Through the collective pressure we placed on Transit Systems, we were able to ensure a pay increase which this company denied us for over a year now.

What this will mean is that 900 drivers will receive:

- 2.5% increase to base rates of pay from the 7th August
- 2.5% of back pay for the last financial year on the 15th August

The TWU will assist union members to ensure that they receive the appropriate payments and within this timeframe.

Given the company has now accepted our key demand, your unions and union delegates have decided to **suspend the impending action on the 25th-29th July.** We now recommit to negotiating with the company in good faith.

This fight is of course not over... we still must negotiate the agreement with the company that will ensure Same Job Same Pay for all region 6 drivers in the years to come. And while we have agreed to suspend actions for now – **we must be ready** to take actions again should the company fail to negotiate in good faith in the future.

While this win today delivers some much important relief for Region 6 drivers, it is also an important opportunity for us to educate drivers who are not in the union and encourage them to join us. **Our safety, our conditions and our futures as bus drivers depend on our unity in these crucial months.**

Finally – the TWU and RTBU would like to congratulate all union members for this important victory today.