

Australian Government

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

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Mrs K Sparkes Office Manager Ryan Wilks Pty Ltd Po Box 7063 SILVERWATER NSW 2128

Dear Mrs Sparkes

I refer to your submission of 7 May 2010 in which you requested the Department's advice about whether the industrial arrangements, as noted in your request, are compliant with the *National Code of Practice for the Construction Industry* (the Code) and the *Australian Government Implementation Guidelines* (the Guidelines).

The Modern Awards that apply to Ryan Wilks Pty Ltd have been assessed against the Guidelines and are Code Compliant.

The Electrical Electronic And Communications Contracting Award 2010

I consider the Electrical Electronic And Communications Contracting Award 2010 to be compliant with all versions of the Guidelines.

The Clerks-Private Sector Award 2010

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In assessing modern awards under the Guidelines, primacy is given to the section of the Guidelines that requires compliance with, amongst other things, relevant legislation and industrial instruments (section 8.1.1 of the 2006 Guidelines and section 6.1.1 of the 2009 Guidelines).

On this basis, in relation to modern awards, to be considered compliant with the Guidelines parties must comply with their modern award and with any elements of the relevant Guidelines that do not conflict with the award, including in relation to the practical on-site application of these.

Please note this assessment only applies to the awards detailed above. Should the workplace arrangements vary (for example because of new agreements or by the making of any unregistered written agreements) a further assessment will be required.

The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner monitors behaviour on sites to which the Code and Guidelines apply, and investigates any alleged breaches of them.

You may obtain a copy of the Guidelines from www.deewr.gov.au/building.



For general information regarding the implications of the workplace reforms for your industrial arrangements you can contact the Fair Work Infoline on 13 13 94.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the National Code Assessment Hotline on 1300 731 293 or email: (building@deewr.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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