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I would like to draw to thee attention of the parliamentary committee the the current model for manning CFA stations. Currently integrated Station are manned on a 10/14 roster system (10 hour day shift / 14 hour night shift) which work well in major urban areas with volunteers backing up career members. In less populated urban areas where volunteers are able to respond after hours and on weekends the manning of the station with career staff from Monday to Friday during business hours is all that is required. Yet the union will not allow this to happen this does make sense the volunteers are well trained, they are dedicated and they have local knowledge which the career staff do not have. If the career staff are separated from the integrated model and are placed in an organisation that does not allow volunteers this model will be lost unless rather than Re-zone these areas to the new organisation leave it as CFA and contract the career members that are needed for day manning back to CFA they are still covered by the EB from the new organisation and the volunteers still able to respond as they have done, no need to split the CFA in these areas.

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