



Australian staff secure pay rises despite worldwide pay freeze!

Yesterday the word came from Emirates head office in Dubai that the company will implement a pay freeze for the 2012-2013 financial year, effective 1st April. With the rising cost of living in Australia, a pay freeze would mean you're worse off.

But ... Australian staff will still get a pay rise & merit payments!

In February this year, union members at Emirates successfully negotiated an EBA that binds the company to a minimum 3% pay increase each year of the Agreement, plus up to 6% in merit payments.

The negotiations, as Emirates put it, were 'robust' and lengthy. We all had to work hard to secure a good wage increase and have the merit payments guaranteed and classified in the Agreement. If we hadn't worked so hard — if we had just rushed the Agreement through — the merit increases would be up in smoke.

No union = no pay rise

Emirates staff in Australia are among just a few countries in the world to negotiate a union Agreement, and the result is clear; It pays to be union!

If you're not in the union, your pay rise was won by the hard work of union members. ***Their membership dues funded the campaign to win an Enterprise Agreement, and that Enterprise Agreement secured your pay rise.*** You owe it to them to join the Australian Services Union (ASU) and be part of the team working for better pay, better conditions, and a real staff voice at Emirates!

If you are a union member, CONGRATULATIONS! Your efforts have secured you a pay rise that we can be proud of. By standing up and sticking together in the union, you have achieved something GREAT!

It pays to belong to the ASU ... Join online now at: www.qld.asu.net.au or phone the union office on 1800 177 244.

If you require further information, please contact your local workplace Delegates or contact the Airlines Travel & Transport Team on 1800 177 244 or email: info@qld.asu.net.au

Emirates Australia Staff – YOU DID IT!