

ASU WIN! Commission auashes approval of substandard Swissport Agreement

The ASU has won its appeal against the Fair Work Commission (FWC) decision to approve Swissport's sub-standard Aerocare Collective Agreement 2018 ('Swissport Agreement').

On 11 August 2020, a Full Bench of the Fair Work Commission found that the original FWC commissioner hadn't properly assessed the Swissport Agreement to make sure that all employees would be better off overall under the agreement compared to if they were covered by the industry minimum standards in the Airlines Award.

But this isn't the fault of the FWC. Swissport didn't provide the data about its operations that the FWC needed to make a genuine assessment of the agreement.

The agreement will be given to another Commissioner for a second approval process. Let's hope Swissport does the right thing.

We have a simple message to Swissport. You could have made a fair agreement with us that met all legal requirements in 2017. Instead, you pushed this decision out until 2020 for no other reason than greed.

This is an important win for all workers in the Aviation industry. It protects our hard won pay and conditions from bottom feeding labor hire companies like Swissport. It's a win for Swissport employees who deserve the same pay and conditions as their colleagues at other groundhandlers and airlines.

If you arent a member of the ASU, now is the time to join at www.asu.asn.au/ASUJOIN.

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