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## OUTRAGE AT BUS STOPPAGES LEADS TO COMMISSION HEARING

Territory and Municipal Services Chief Executive Mike Zissler today announced he will be lodging a notification of an industrial dispute in the Australian Industrial Relations Commission.

“Commissioner Deegan has agreed to hear this matter at 12 NOON today.

“We are alleging that Transport Worker’s Union (TWU) members have undertaken an illegal action by holding a stop work meeting

“We have been in consultation with ACTION drivers and TWU representatives regarding the proposed new network since July this year.

“We have bent over backwards to accommodate requests from drivers and their union representatives – our proposals are always within the EBA parameters.

“The concept of split shifts is not new to the drivers. They already exist and drivers receive generous penalty rates for doing them.

“We are outraged that the Union and ACTION drivers chose to strike without notice. This action has highly inconvenienced commuters, including school children and their parents, and left many people stranded this morning.

Disruptions to services occurred this morning due to the TWU holding an illegal Stop Work meeting with ACTION drivers.

For more information visit ACTION at [www.action.act.gov.au](http://www.action.act.gov.au) or call ACTION on 13 17 10

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