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Members to take 4-Hour strike on 30 August

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The RTBU has today given notice to Yarra Trams that members who will be covered by the Operations EBA will take a 4-hour stoppage of work on **Friday, 30 August 2019** in order to secure a fair deal.

We haven't made this decision lightly. But Yarra Trams has left us no choice. Make no mistake, this is Yarra Trams' fault.

The 4-hour stoppage of work will be taken by members who will be covered by the Operations EBA (other than AOs, Starters and TODs) starting **10am on Friday, 30 August 2019** and finishing at **2pm on Friday, 30 August 2019**.

Yarra Trams says publicly they want to negotiate. However, they have wasted enormous amounts of time by twice putting out obviously dodgy proposals for a vote rather than continuing negotiations. And since Yarra Trams' last dodgy deal was voted down on 23 July, there has only been one bargaining meeting. Even now, Yarra Trams continues to play games about meeting with us.

Our members and the Victorian public deserve better than the shameful behaviour of this multinational company.

We are seeking fair wages and conditions for all members. Yarra Trams is continuing to take a completely unreasonable approach. In order to secure a better deal, we need to take strike action to get Yarra Trams to see sense.

The RTBU is committed to fair negotiations. The ball is in Yarra Trams' court. Industrial action can be avoided if Yarra Trams takes a reasonable approach to our claims.

Yarra Trams will use every sneaky tactic in the book to discourage you. We won't be swayed. We know that our members will continue to fight for a fairer deal!

We will provide updates to members next week about arrangements for the 4-hour stoppage on Friday, 30 August 2019.

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