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SUBJECT PCB's - AUSTRALIA

REFERENCE

TO D. Wood,
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I received a report earlier this week that a problem with the Electrical Trade Unions attitude to the handling of PCB's had flared up again - this time in Western Australia.

Apparently the Electrical Trade Union has sent a circular letter to all members of the ETU in Western Australia, which virtually bans the use of Pyroclor.

Apparently, if the ETU are called upon to handle Pyroclor, they are entitled to triple time.

You will recall that a similar problem occurred at a number of transformer manufacturers in the eastern part of Australia, but following an attempt by the manufacturers to educate their employees into the true harmful effects and the correct way to handle PCB's, the issue died down.

Most unions in Australia are militant, and unfortunately have some strength and an apparent wish to disrupt industry. Education is partly the answer, but will only go so far to overcome their attitude to a product such as Pyroclor, which might be something they can use against their employer.

I am getting together the total Australia-wide situation and will report shortly on the likely effect to our business.

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