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Dear Colleagues,

Further to my update last week, I can confirm that we have received information from the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) about the continuation of bargaining activities across the government sector generally. The APSC have confirmed that agencies can continue with EA activities. In addition to this, we have been advised by the APSC that the preliminary assessment conducted on the CSIRO draft Agreement indicates that the draft EA is consistent with the Government Bargaining Policy.

Today, CSIRO's EA Negotiation team met with Bargaining Representatives to inform them of this advice and discuss other changes made to the draft EA. Additional changes made by CSIRO include changes to CSIRO's Redeployment and Redundancy Schedule so that the redundancy benefit calculations are the same for everyone regardless of their age and changes to overtime meal allowance, motor vehicle allowance and field duty payments to reflect adjustments announced by the Australian Taxation Office.

In terms of next steps, following feedback from the Bargaining Representatives CSIRO will submit the draft EA for final approval by the Australian Public Service Commissioner. If approved, we will then be in a position to commence preparations for a staff ballot which could be held in the August/September 2016 period. I encourage you to visit the [Enterprise Agreement](#) pages on MyCSIRO for regular updates.

If you have any questions please contact the EA Team at EnterpriseAgreement@csiro.au.

Regards,

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