



IRC 6 Logistics and Shipping

Member Consultation Webinar Notes

Please note, the below should be read in conjunction with the presentation slide deck.

New Internal Reference Committees (IRC) and Member Consultation

AMIC has refreshed the range of IRC committees to follow a similar structure to the previous IRC groups but with a smaller membership with greater focus on expertise amongst members and with the ability to meet on a more regularly basis. With these smaller groups, AMIC understands that some members who may have applied for certain IRCs and didn't end up being part of the final committee due to limitations on the committee sizes, might still be interesting in staying a breast of what's going on in each area.

AMIC has commenced a new series of member consultation webinars across each of the Internal Reference Committees (IRC) focus areas. These quarterly member consultation webinars aim to provide an update on the key policy work that is happening across all AMIC IRCs to the broader membership base to allow members who are not involved in each IRC to raise any points and ask any questions relating to their specific areas of interest.

Policy Formation Process

There are 3 layers to AMIC policy formation beginning with the development of draft policy at the IRC level (shown in the bar along the bottom of the presentation). The member consultation for this level of the organisation comes predominantly through Processor Circular emails which detail range of important topics (market access advices, meat notices, etc) as well as through the quarterly webinars mentioned above.

Once policy is drafted at the IRC working group level, it is escalated to the relevant national council for feedback and endorsement. Post national council endorsement, and if required, draft policies then go up the AMIC Board for final endorsement before becoming official AMIC policy and being published to the AMIC website.

IRC 6 Update

The first meeting of the new IRC 6 committee occurred on Friday 24 May 2024. Arnold Pascual (Fulton Market Group) was elected as the Chair of the IRC 6.

An overview was provided by Billy Davies, IRC 6 Secretariat, of the history of the logistics and shipping advocacy portfolio for AMIC as well as a readout of AMIC relationships with other



organisations (such as the Australian Peak Shippers Association, the Refrigerated Warehouse and Transport Alliance, and the Container Transport Alliance Australia) and what advocacy has occurred and is still occurring from those organisations that AMIC has been involved in.

The final discussion from the meeting was focussed on what the key advocacy areas for AMIC to focus on in the logistics and shipping space need to be. The committee agreed that a document should be developed by AMIC that takes stock of the previous and ongoing advocacy objectives for the industry in the logistics and shipping space. This document would then be provided to the committee for review and feedback. Then, once the committee had provided input and feedback, that document would set the scene for the direction and advocacy for the IRC 6 that could be further built upon and developed as issues progress and change.

If any AMIC members have specific concerns or areas of interest that they would like to raise for inclusion in the logistics and shipping agenda with the IRC 6, please get in contact with Billy Davies at bdavies@amic.org.au.