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ATA TO RUN CANBERRA RSRO PROTEST CONVOY

The Australian Trucking Association will lead the way in a Convoy to Canberra on Monday 18 April to protest the introduction of the *Contractor Driver Minimum Payments Road Safety Remuneration Order 2016* (RSRO).

The RSRO came into effect yesterday afternoon, after the Federal Court decided not to continue a stay on the order. The Convoy supports Federal Employment Minister Michaelia Cash's call for industry to show their support for legislation delaying the order, which will be introduced to parliament on 18 April.

ATA Chief Executive Christopher Melham said the Order would have a devastating impact on tens of thousands of owner-drivers and other small operators.

"The ATA's own Safety Truck will take the lead of the convoy, and I'd like to invite Minister Cash to ride with us in Safety Truck's passenger seat," Mr Melham said.

"The ATA is proud to organise this Convoy to Canberra. It's essential that Ministers and Senators understand just how many small operators will be threatened by this payments order."

Further information about the convoy will be announced early next week. To register to be part of the convoy, email the ATA at ata@truck.net.au.

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