Level 5 Survey Results

1. Was the offer of an individual contract explained to you to your satisfaction?

Yes	434	72%
No	159	26%
Neither Yes nor No	12	2%
Total	605	100%

No. Comments

148 Could have been better (vague, some questions unanswered, basic info only

rushed, lacked credibility)

- 133 Explained very well
- 38 Not explained at all
- 8 Explanation inaccurate

2. Is being on an individual contract what you expected?

Yes	482	80%
No	65	11%
Neither Yes nor No	56	9%
Total	603	100%

No. Comments

- 20 Individual approach lost in inflexibility
- 16 Stronger relationship of employment
- 16 Too much of MIP outside my control
- Worried about sick leave being at mgt discretion
- 10 Contract weighted heavily in Telstra's favour
- 8 Don't like peer review of PRDP score (it averages results)
- 7 MIP not large enough to motivate
- 4 Reassignment clause causing anxiety due to restructure
- 4 Not rewarded for performance everyone gets same increase at Rem Review
- Loss of flextime, leave loading and sick leave not compensated

3. Are you glad you accepted the offer of an individual contract?

Yes No	490	81%
No	41	7%
Neither Yes nor No	73	12%
Total	604	100%

No. Comments

- 87 Like flexible benefits
- 52 Happy with remuneration / MIP
- 42 Felt had no choice but to accept the offer
- Worse off financially (Snr 7s, CCs & vehicle, SFC, promoted but no extra \$\$,

low rem review result)

- 28 Accepting contract was essential to, or good for, career
- Not happy about inconsistent approach to salaries across the company
- 19 Unhappy about change in vehicle prices
- 19 It was a leap of faith as Telstra may change policies
- 18 Concerned about impact of FBT legislation
- 15 Vehicle option is attractive

- 11 Now receiving constructive feedback & direction
- 11 Now feel future is in my control
- 4 It was inevitable

4. Given the opportunity, what would you change about the process / experience?

Not a Yes or No question

No. Comments

- 116 More scope to negotiate
- More info and examples on flexing package (tax implications, pros & cons, help desk, how to fill out forms, models, tools)
- More detailed explanation (Q&A, info on rem review, pros & cons, not so high level)
- 46 Process too bureaucratic, took too long
- Would have liked ER Consultants to be more open, honest, helpful, visible & forthcoming.
- Info that is easier to understand (too long, too much jargon, complex, need summaries)
- 34 More complete understanding of offer by Managers before they try to explain it to staff members
- 29 Would have liked opportunity to attend a briefing
- 26 Legal and/or financial advice should be provided
- More clarity and detailed information on MIP (don't understand MIP statements)
- 18 Subsequent changes to contract options not well communicated
- 16 Prefer more open processes (eg contract offer, PRDP)
- 14 Want Contract Employment Group to offer a better service with more visibility
- Would like a wider range of flexible packaging options
- 12 Want to know remuneration range to gauge potential remuneration
- 11 Shorter vehicle waiting time / want better service from Fleet
- 10 Prefer a simpler, more straightforward contract

5. Do you feel work has changed now you are employed on an individual contract?

Yes	243	40%
No	333	55%
Neither Yes nor No	27	4%
Total	603	100%

No. Comments

- 115 Now rewarded for performance
- 108 Feel more accountable and results oriented
- 95 Formalised the way I was already working
- 47 Telstra's expectations are much higher now
- 44 Now have clarity of accountabilities
- 38 More focused on Telstra / BU goals, performance, costs.
- 30 Feel recognised
- 30 My hours have increased
- 27 I feel more part of the team / loyal to the company
- 24 More motivated / committed
- 20 Can easily be sacked, more dispensable
- My focus has narrowed to what is measured even if that is not in the company's best interest.
- 9 Feel different from Award staff
- 7 Now have more work for less recognition
- 6 Now work in a more professional, commercial atmosphere
- 4 Moving jobs harder now (mgr won't release staff members)