Amazon, answer to question taken on notice, public hearing 4 November 2021 (received 4 November 2021).

Amazon Answer to Question on Notice

Question:

CHAIR: I want to go to the ABC article, which also says:

Vans, utes and trucks are not allowed. However, Amazon told drivers earlier this month it plans to trial eight-hour blocks for contractors with vans later this year.

When does that trial begin? And are people in vans and trucks going to be paid in line with the owner-driver rates for their vehicle size, if you can't tell me today what it is?

Mr Cooley: The trial for vans has commenced in New South Wales. There are a handful of people, delivery partners, using vans to deliver parcels, and they are being paid a higher rate than those delivery partners delivering with sedans, and the rates are in accordance with relevant owner-driver laws.

CHAIR: What is the rate that is actually being paid?

Mr Cooley: I can't put my finger on the rate, but I am happy for you to ask another question and I'll find it in the interim.

CHAIR: I've just run out of time, but, if you want to send it this afternoon, that would be of a great deal of assistance.

Answer:

In relation to pay for the Amazon Flex Van Pilot. We pay a minimum of \$240 for an 8 hour block including a 30 minute unpaid break. Like shorter blocks, the price of longer blocks may surge from time to time when there is high demand.