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Mystery Ministers Leaves More Uncertainty for Business

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Scott Driscoll, National President of the **United Retail Federation**, has demanded that Julia Gillard confirm who would be the Finance Minister and the Minister for Small Business and end the 'grave uncertainty' surrounding any re-elected Gillard Government.

"Julia Gillard is essentially declaring "no confidence" in her team as it stands so it's a bit rich of her to expect anyone, including small business owners, to embrace her post election "Phantom" government with open arms," Mr Driscoll said.

"Julia Gillard is currently sending the signal of fatal uncertainty to business by still failing to confirm fundamental ministries such as Finance.

"The small business sector already knows the thoughts of the Gillard Government regarding the Small Business portfolio, as they have refused to include it in cabinet and have left us with a Minister who clearly resents the portfolio.

"The least Julia Gillard could do is to confirm that the small business sector would no longer be represented by the current Minister if she and her phantom government is re-elected. In fact we'll take and try to work with Kevin Rudd as Small Business Minister if no-one else wants him," Mr Driscoll said.

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