



LOCAL 2-21 C.A.T. Letter

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Throughout the past 20 months of negotiating we have had many meetings with our members to discuss our contract. We actually started contract communication with all of you about 2 1/2 years ago when we conducted our survey and then presented the results and ultimately our agenda. We've literally had hundreds of conversations at the hall with the stewards or with our members at the union meetings about our efforts and our plans as we move forward. As many of you have witnessed, some of those plans changed as we got deeper into negotiations; finding we needed to sometimes change our thought process to challenge the actions made by the company. Each and every one of those meetings or conversations were important, but I'm sending this CAT report out to say that this Wednesday's union meeting (January 13th 2010) just might be the most important informational meeting to this point.

I'm asking you to make every effort to attend Wednesday's union meeting to hear firsthand what we are up against and to be involved with the action plans we will discuss there. IF you cannot make it yourself, please make sure your area stewards (or co-workers) are going to be there to bring the message back to you.

Our union hall can seat 100 people. It would be a great problem to not have enough seating and have standing room only. If that happens, I will commit to go directly to my report following the roll call of officers and payment of bills. This should shorten the meeting to address the discomfort of standing.

Again, I want to say, this may very well be the most important meeting pertaining to negotiating up to this point.

The meeting is Wednesday, January 13th at 7:00PM

Thank you for your support.
In Solidarity,

Bryon Branstrom