

BARGAINING REPORT #8

2012 NEGOTIATIONS WITH BELL ALIANT FOR CEP CRAFT & SERVICES MEMBERS

May 18, 2012

Brothers and Sisters,

Following a fairly lengthy break in bargaining due to the employer's inability to meet, the Bargaining Committee met the company with the assistance of the conciliator May 14th - 16th, 2012, in an effort to reach a fair and equitable agreement that we could bring to the membership with a recommendation to accept.

It became clear to us that, despite our best efforts, the company had no intention of bargaining with us during this period and failed to move from their previous position regarding the remaining monetary demands. We informed the employer that we did not come to bargain with ourselves, and as a result of these conversations the employer indicated late in the evening May 15th, 2012 that they would be tabling an offer to your Committee.

Your Committee decided that the offer tabled will be brought to the membership for a ratification vote. The schedule is currently being developed and will be sent to the locals in the very near future.

We thank you for your patience during this round of negotiations and will see you in the upcoming weeks.

Your Bargaining Committee

Dave Hicks Armand Maltais
Brent MacMillan Patrick Gagné
Drew Wickens Jose Vincent

National Representatives:

Maureen Dawson, Shawn Cowan, and Olivier Carriere