

BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

FEBRUARY 4, 2015

THE NUMBER OF PLANT CASES IN ARBITRATION STANDS AT 115.

THE STEWARDS OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2015 AT THE POST 69, PLEASANT ST. MALDEN AT 6:00PM

THE STEWARDS OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2015 AT THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE. THIS MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 6:00PM

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2015 AT THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 1PM.

AT&T/AVAYA

THE SURPLUS DECLARED IN THE NORTH EAST HAS BEEN SATISFIED, ANY QUESTIONS CALL THE UNION HALL. THE IRS HAS SET TRAVEL PAY @ \$.575 CENTS PER MILE FOR GAS REIMBURSEMENT. ANY QUESTIONS CALL THE UNION HALL [617-929-6000](tel:617-929-6000)

SALES

THE UNION AND THE COMPANY HAVE SCHEDULED A MEETING TO DISCUSS ISSUES GOING FORWARD IN 2015. AT THIS MEETING WILL BE THE SALES BARGAINING CHAIRMAN, REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL THE LOCALS AND LABOR RELATIONS.

THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE IN THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN PART OF THE COVERAGE TO THE UNITED HEALTHCARE/HARVARD PILGRIM PLAN. THE NEW PROVIDER FOR THE DRUG PLAN IS NOW EXPRESS SCRIPTS. PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SIGN UP. YOU CAN REACH EXPRESS SCRIPTS AT [877-877-1878](tel:877-877-1878) OR THROUGH THE WEB AT WWW.EXPRESSSCRIPTS-SCRIPTS.COM/VERIZON

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO WEAR RED ON THURSDAY AND BLACK ON FRIDAY TO SHOW UNITY AND SUPPORT AS WE STRIVE TO GET A FAIR CONTRACT.

CABLE AND LINE

FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF OSHA DOING OBSERVATIONS OF OUR MEMBERS, OSHA HAS STATED THAT THEY PLAN TO ASK FOR DAILY ASSIGNMENT LOCATIONS OF VERIZON EMPLOYEES GOING FORWARD. REMEMBER SAFETY IS OUR #1 CONCERN. WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR OWN SAFETY.

WITH ALL THE SNOW AND RESTRICTIONS ON ROADWAYS AND PROPERTIES, PLEASE BE SURE TO TAKE EXTRA

PRECAUTIONS IN SETTING UP WORK AREAS AND LOCATIONS. PLEASE ALSO BE CAUTIOUS WHEN TRAVELING TO AND FROM REPORTING LOCATIONS. WHEN APPROACHING A WORK AREA WHICH WILL REQUIRE ASSISTANCE PLEASE BE SURE TO ASK YOUR MANAGER TO PROVIDE A SECOND MAN.

AS THE FAIRPOINT STRIKE ENTERS INTO ITS 4TH MONTH PLEASE REMEMBER OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO ARE HOLDING THE LINE FIGHTING FOR THEIR JOBS.

MOBILIZATION

IBEW AND CWA CONTINUE TO MEET TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR UPCOMING MOBILIZATION ACTIVITIES. KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE UNION TAPE, WEBSITE AND MOST IMPORTANTLY YOUR STEWARDS FOR ANY NEW INFORMATION

BENEVOLENT FUND

WITH ALL THE INCLIMATE WEATHER IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE BUT THE DATE FOR THE 4TH ANNUAL IBEW LOCAL 2222 SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT HAS BEEN SET FOR SUNDAY JUNE 7TH. PLEASE CONTACT THE UNION OFFICE TO ENTER YOUR TEAM. ALSO PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR THE JACK O'SHEA ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT WHICH HAS BEEN SET FOR FRIDAY MAY 15TH. INFORMATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AS THE DATES GET CLOSER.

SST'S

THERE IS STILL NO NEWS TO REPORT ON THE RUMORED TRANSFER OF SPECIAL SERVICES TO OPERATIONS. WE WILL REPORT INFORMATION AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.

DU SCHEDULES SHOULD BE POSTED IN EACH LOCATION WHERE A SATURDAY SCHEDULE EXISTS. THEY SHOULD BE 4 WEEKS IN LENGTH AND EACH WEEK A NEW WEEK SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE LIST.

WITH THE RECENT RETIREMENTS, SCHEDULES THAT WERE ALREADY UNBEARABLE HAVE BECOME WORSE. SOME TECHS ARE BEING SCHEDULED TO WORK 3 OUT OF 4 SATURDAYS. WE ARE MEETING WITH THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR RELATIONS AND THE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS TO TRY AND SOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

THE VZ STORM POLICY STATES THAT EMPLOYEES WHO MAKE AN EFFORT TO REPORT AND KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THEIR MANAGER WILL BE PAID UNDER THE STORM POLICY. SOME MANAGERS HAVE PUT EMPLOYEES IN FOR EWD DAYS AND VACATION DAYS EVEN THOUGH THEY FOLLOWED THE POLICY. GRIEVANCES SHOULD BE FILED IN THESE CASES.

C.O NOTES

ON JANUARY 22 WE WERE INFORMED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DISACGROUP THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF SWITCHED ETHERNET SERVICES ORDERS HAD BEEN HELD UP DUE TO A SYSTEMS GLITCH. AS A RESULT WE WERE TOLD THAT THE "SES" ORDERS WERE BEING TEMPORARILY MOVED TO THE PATOMIC REGION. THE ENTIRE CALL VOLUME WAS TRANSFERRED. THE UNION HAS IN NO WAY ACQUIESCED. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF COLLECTING ALL THE ENSUING DATA AND WILL MEET WITH THE COMPANY WITH ANY AND ALL GRIEVANCES.

THE INTERVIEWS FOR THE ART P13. JOBS (TOLL ASSIGNERS) WILL BE COMPLETED BY FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6TH. WE WILL MEET WITH LABOR RELATIONS AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT INVOLVED AND REVIEW THE PENDING AWARDS AND REASONS FOR THE SELECTIONS.

C.O.E.I

AS OF MONDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2015 EI HAS ADDED 4 TIER 1 STAFF CRAFT SUPPORT PEOPLE PER ART P-13. TWO OF THESE ARE FROM THIS LOCAL.

WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF GRIEVING THE INITIAL INSTALLATION OF VERIZON WIRELESS EQUIPMENT WITH OUR CENTRAL OFFICE BY CONTRACTORS.