

BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

JUNE 3, 2015

THE NUMBER OF PLANT CASES IN ARBITRATION STANDS AT 100

THE STEWARDS MEETINGS WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS. THERE MAY BE A SPECIAL MEETING AS THE CONTRACT APPROACHES. STAY TUNED.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LOCAL WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 17, 2015 AT THE LOCAL UNION OFFICE. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 1PM.

AT&T/AVAYA

AVAYA CERTIFICATION BONUSES FOR ELIGIBLE SENIOR TECH, SENIOR TECH-JOURNEYMAN AND SENIOR SOFTWARE ASSOCIATES WILL APPEAR IN THE JUNE 12, 2015 PAY CHECK. ANY QUESTION CALL THE UNION HALL 617-929-6000

SALES

AS WE PREPARE FOR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS 2015 IT IS IMPERATIVE WE ALL DO OUR PART. PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN ALL MOBILIZATION ACTIVITIES AT YOUR WORK PLACE. REMEMBER TO WEAR RED ON THURSDAYS AND BLACK ON FRIDAY TO SHOW SOLIDARITY. AS THE CONTRACT EXPIRES PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU USE YOUR MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT CARD FOR ALL VISITS AND PROCEDURES, THE REIMBURSEMENT CARDS WILL HAVE TO BE RENEGOTIATED WITH THE NEW CONTRACT.

CABLE AND LINE

OUR MEMBERS HAVE BEEN NOTICING RED TAGS ON POLES IN OUR WORKSPACES. THE RED TAGS HAVE BEEN PLACED BY EVERSOURCE TECHNICIANS. THEY ARE PLACED BECAUSE EVERSOURCE HAS IDENTIFIED A PROBLEM WITH THEIR PORCELAIN CUTOUTS WHICH MAY BREAK WHEN THE POLE IS BEING WORKED ON. THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED FOR 10+ YEARS AND NOW EVERSOURCE IS PERFORMING ADDITIONAL TESTING AND FINDING CUTOUTS THAT HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO BREAK. IF A MEMBER COMES ACROSS A POLE WITH A RED TAG THAT MUST BE WORKED ON PLEASE CONTACT YOUR MANAGER AND GIVE THEM THE NUMBER TO ADDRESS THE POLE ISSUE. THE NUMBER THE MANAGER NEEDS TO CALL IS 1-800-592-2000, THE CALL SHOULD BE MADE PRIOR TO DOING ANY TELECOMMUNICATION WORK ON THIS POLE. REMEMBER YOUR SAFETY SHOULD BE YOUR #1 CONCERN.

MOBILIZATION

AS THE TIME DRAWS NEAR FOR OUR CONTRACT EXPIRATION WE NEED TO SHOW OUR SOLIDARITY. BE SURE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY AND ALL MOBILIZATION EVENTS AND ACTIONS. THIS INCLUDES WEARING RED AND THURSDAY AND BLACK ON FRIDAY. IT IS A SMALL GESTURE OF SOLIDARITY BUT IT IS IMPORTANT. ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER TO SAVE THE DATE ON JULY 30TH FOR A MAJOR MOBILIZATION EVENT.

BENEVOLENT FUND

THE JACK O'SHEA TOURNAMENT WAS HELD ON MAY 15TH AS USUAL, IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS. THE PARTICIPATION BY OUR MEMBERS WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED. THE TOURNAMENT HELPS TO FUND THE BENEVOLENT FUND WHICH IN TURN DONATES TO THE CHARITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT OUR MEMBERS VOLUNTEER FOR AND SUPPORT. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.

THE ANNUAL FUTURES SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AND FAMILY COOKOUT WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 14TH AT WALSH PARK IN DORCHESTER, THIS EVENT IS ALWAYS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER TOGETHER WITH OUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS AND ENJOY A FREE COOKOUT AND SOME GREAT SOFTBALL!

PLANT CLERICAL

VERIZON MANAGEMENT INFORMED THE UNION THAT THE MALDEN DISPATCH CENTER WILL BE CLOSING. THE CLERICAL GROUPS WILL BE MOVED TO MEDWAY AND 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE. AS OF THIS MEETING THERE WILL BE 12 CLERKS MOVING TO BOWDOIN SQUARE AND ADDITIONAL CLERKS TO COVER THE NIGHT WORK. THE UNION DOES NOT HAVE THE EXACT NUMBER OF JOBS FOR NIGHTS BUT THE NUMBER WILL BE ADDED TO THE TWELVE.

IN THE COMING WEEKS THE UNION WILL FINALIZE THE CANVASS FOR MEDWAY AND BOWDOIN SQUARE. THE CLERKS WILL BE CHOOSING THE EXACT SHIFTS FOR BOTH LOCATIONS.

BEM

MANAGEMENT HAS DECIDED THAT NO ONE FROM THE BARGAINING UNIT WILL GO INTO A BEM JOB WITHOUT A LICENSE. BASED ON THAT DECISION THE VACANT BEM JOBS WILL BE HIRED FROM THE STREET.

AEM

THE UNION IS PROCESSING GRIEVANCES FOR ANY MEMBER WHO DID NOT PASS THE STRUCTURED INTERVIEW. THE GRIEVANCES WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LABOR RELATIONS STEP.

SST'S

AS THE RESULT OF THE COMBINING OF SPECIAL SERVICE AND I/M THERE ARE MANY UNRESOLVED ISSUES SUCH AS OVERTIME RULES COMBINING OF LISTS AND VACATION AND D/U NUMBERS.

MANAGEMENT HAS YET TO MEET WITH THE UNION TO DISCUSS THESE ISSUES. THEREFORE WE ARE STILL WORKING OFF THE OLD LISTS AND RULES.

THE TRANSFERS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS MERGER WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY JUNE 8TH. EXPENSE TREATMENT WILL BE PAID FOR 90 CALENDAR DAYS PER. ARTICLE P15.04.

THE COMPANY HAS DECIDED TO EXPAND THE TECH TO DOOR TRIAL TO INCLUDE HSI/DATA CUSTOMERS.

THIS WORK WHICH HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY MANAGEMENT AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE DONE BY BARGAINING UNIT SST'S

C.O. NOTES

A MEETING WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH WITH MANAGEMENT TO INFORM US OF THEIR INTENTION TO CLOSE THE CENTER AT 7 ELM STREET, MALDEN. ALL OF THE COT'S WILL BE MOVED TO 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE, BOSTON. THE AA'S WILL BE CANVASSED BETWEEN 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE, BOSTON AND THE DISPATCH CENTER IN MEDWAY. WE DO NOT HAVE THE DETAILS OF THE CANVAS OF YET. AS ALWAYS, MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND THE PARAMETERS OF THE CANVASS BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION.

WE HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MANAGEMENT REGARDING THE ASSIGNMENT OF LUNCHESES AT THE SDA NEW ENGLAND CENTER AT 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE, BOSTON. AS SOON AS WE HAVE A RESOLUTION WE WILL INFORM THE MEMBERSHIP AT THE CENTER.

ALSO, INFORMATIONAL PICKETING WILL CONTINUE ON THURSDAYS DURING LUNCH TIMES. LESS THAN TWO MONTHS REMAIN UNTIL OUR CONTRACT EXPIRATION – UNITED WE BARGAIN, DIVIDED WE BEG!!!

C.O.E.I.

THE GRIEVANCE OF THE VERIZON WIRELESS EQUIPMENT BEING INSTALLED BY CONTRACTORS AT 6 BOWDOIN SQUARE IS ONGOING. IN ADDITION WE HAVE GRIEVANCES OF CONTRACTORS DOING EI WORK AT THE BURLINGTON VHO. IF YOU SEE CONTRACTORS DOING BARGAINED YOUR WORK PLEASE NOTIFY STEWARDS DAVE TOWLE AND FRANK HERNON. THANK YOU!