

BARGAINING BULLETIN BELL CRAFT

Craft and Services Employees

Brothers & Sisters:

As you are aware, the collective agreement expired on November 30, 2016 and continues in force while we are negotiating.

At the beginning of the week we discussed, in the presence of the conciliation officers, the « Maintenance of Activities » protocol in the event of a strike or lockout. We did not reach an agreement on the protocol. The Company therefore made a request to the *Canada Industrial Relations Board* so that the *Board* can determine the technician work that must be maintained in order to prevent a serious and immediate danger to public health and safety.

Next, we met with the conciliation officers to explain our priority demands that we have tabled with the Employer. On Thursday and Friday, we met the Employer to further discuss our priority issues.

We will return to Ottawa next week to continue negotiations in the presence of the conciliation officers.

We will keep you updated on developments.

There is strength in solidarity!

In solidarity,

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