

BARGAINING BULLETIN BELL CRAFT

Craft and Services Employees

Brothers & Sisters:

Yesterday your bargaining team arrived at the conclusion that our negotiations are stalled and badly in need of moving on the process to conciliation with the assistance of a Labour Canada conciliator.

It is not immediately known when negotiations will resume. It depends upon the availability of the conciliator appointed by the Labour Minister, MaryAnn Mihychuk.

http://www.travail.gc.ca/eng/relations/collective/index.shtml

When we say that negotiations are stalled, it is because we have spent eight weeks at the bargaining table with very few of your demands being checked off. The few that were resolved are minor. None of your priority demands received a constructive response from the Company, let alone agreement. We did not even discuss monetary issues yet: it was obvious that we needed to move the process along to a more serious step.

We will keep you updated with any developments.

There is strength in solidarity!

In solidarity,

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