New Agreement With CP

We're pleased to report that this evening Unifor Local 101R reached a new tentative agreement with CP Rail after around the clock negotiations over the last several days. This new agreement will cover our 1,800 members at CP.

We will now plan a leadership meeting where the lodge presidents and chairpersons will meet to review the contents of the new agreement. Following this meeting, ratification meetings will be scheduled across the country.

Frustration at CN Rail negotiations continued throughout the day, with no progress being made. The parties have agreed to resume talks early Sunday morning. We will have a clearer picture of what the near future holds later on Sunday and be able to communicate to you the next steps we plan on taking. There is currently no deadline in place.

We want to thank our members for their incredible ongoing support during this challenging set of negotiations. Your bargaining committees are working hard to deliver new collective agreements that will address members concerns at work and recognize workers contributions to the success of both CP and CN. Thank you to all strike captains at CP who have been making preparations for the last four weeks in the case of a labour dispute.

While we were fortunate to get a new agreement with CP, our sisters and brothers at the Teamsters Canada Rail Conference have been forced to call a strike to achieve their collective bargaining goals. We ask that members support the Teamsters picket lines outside of work hours.

We want to underscore again not to listen to rumours or innuendos. We will continue to communicate with our members on the ongoing status of bargaining. If you have not already done so, please sign up for RailLine by sending your email address to rail@unifor.org and follow us on twitter at @Unifor_RailLine.

In appreciation and solidarity, Local 100, Local 101R and National Council 4000 Master Bargaining Committees

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