

Bargaining resumes with Toronto Terminals Railway (TTR)

The Unifor National Council 4000 Bargaining Committee will resume negotiations with Toronto Terminals Railway (TTR) on Wednesday, July 6 at the offices of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services (FMCS) in downtown Toronto. This will be the first meeting between the parties with the assistance of FMCS. The last time both sides met was on April 20.

Unifor Council 4000 / Local 4003 represents members at TTR who provide track maintenance, flagging and signal services on the Union Station Rail Corridor (USRC) in Toronto. The USRC is used by VIA Rail, GO Transit and the new Union Pearson (UP) Express. TTR is a jointly owned subsidiary of both CN and CP Rail.

The union faces some significant challenges in this round of negotiations given the concessionary demands that are presently on the bargaining table by the company. Also, the company is not offering much in the way of wage or benefit increases.

The union has informed TTR that it will not agree to any concessionary demands that 'turn the clock backwards' on our past hard fought gains.

Negotiations are scheduled for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, July 6^{th} through 8^{th} .

If necessary a strike vote will be held in the weeks to come.

Your bargaining committee will keep you up-to-date in the following days. In the mean time we urge our members once again, not to listen to rumours or innuendoes and should questions arise, members should contact their Regional Representative.

In closing, thank you for your continued support and solidarity as we continue to act in your best interest and take the steps we feel necessary to bargain the best settlement possible.

In solidarity,
Unifor National Council 4000 Bargaining Committee

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