



## **Unifor – Algoma Central Bargaining**

Sisters and brothers,

On August 24, 2017, Unifor opened negotiations with the Algoma Central Railway (ACR) in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Our ACR membership consists of Rail Car Mechanics, Heavy Duty and Diesel Engine Mechanics and Electricians, all who are members of Local 100. The August 24<sup>th</sup> meeting was for both parties to exchange their respective bargaining proposals. Actual negotiations will commence on October 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in Brampton, Ontario.

Bargaining at Algoma Central has traditionally brought a variety of challenges for our negotiating committees, and we expect nothing different in this round of negotiations. The Company has already stated that they are looking at negotiating nothing more than the patterns set at collective bargaining with the other unions at ACR and CN in terms of wage and benefit improvements.

We informed the Company that our members at ACR are dedicated in providing reliable service for the Company and to ACR's customers and fully expect the Company to recognize this service and productivity.

We will provide updates as the information becomes available.

In solidarity,

The Unifor ACR Bargaining Committee:

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