

BARGAINING BULLETIN **EXPERTECH**

Craft and Services employees

Brothers and Sisters,

This week the company and the union continued discussion of all your important issues. We had a number of refusals from the company.

We made almost no progress on key issues of job security, respect for seniority, as well as pension and benefits. In each case, the company told us that your priority demands contradicted their mandate for cost containment and flexibility.

We have therefore applied for conciliation from the Federal Department of Labour. A conciliator and further bargaining dates will be fixed in the near future.

We have been asked by many members about the continuation of the \$600 expense allowance beyond November 30th, which is the expiry date of the contract. We have decided to continue authorization of this expense option, which is outside the collective agreement, until further notice. However we advise all members not to commit to any long term accommodation leases.

We also advised the company that any new or renewed four day work week agreements must include rest periods of 20 (not 15) minutes, and that all four days must be scheduled consecutively.

We will keep you informed of new developments.

There is strength in solidarity

In solidarity,

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