

System Council U-4 Negotiation News



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The System Committee and the Company last week continued discussions on the Distribution Business Unit topics.

The Union and Company continued to explore the available methods to establish a dedicated construction workforce to meet the interests of both parties. The Company's interest in a Line Leader classification was discussed to better understand the manner he/she would interact using various classifications and crew size make-ups.

The Union delivered their rebuttal to the Company concerning their desire to change crew ratios to achieve flexibility in crew scheduling. The focus on the effective use of resources during customer service restoration will always remain a shared value.

The Committee also expressed their reluctance to re-live the history of changing the current responsibilities of the RS classification. We have continued to discuss our willingness to capture the market share of the Street Light Maintenance work.

The System Committee and the Company will work to finalize the one time transfer document for the existing Apprentices on Wednesday July 23, 2008. This will allow movement of those employees to the designated work locations throughout the state.

The System Committee and the Company will resume Negotiations on Tuesday July 29, 2008.

The System Committee would like to acknowledge the efforts of all the employees and crews in their resolve to zero injuries; "Yes, I am my Brother's Keeper".