

Negotiation Update – Purolator Courier Bargaining Unit

Negotiations between Purolator Courier and the Public Service Alliance of Canada commenced April 21, 2009. During the three (3) day session, the parties exchanged bargaining proposals and information related to their respective proposals. Although the number of employer proposals is relatively small (11), several of them contain rollbacks. However, the Union team was clear from the beginning that they were not interested in negotiating rollbacks.

Progress was slow. The issues dealt with were generally non monetary in nature. At the end of the three (3) day session, agreement had been reached on five (5) items dealing with:

- Selection of arbitrators
- Job sites – re staffing of temporary vacancies
- Job sites – re lay-offs and recalls
- Days of rest for part-time employees
- Administrative changes to the vacation year

The next negotiation session is scheduled for May 13 to 15, 2009.

The bargaining unit has approximately 150 members in British Columbia performing duties in different functions of the Company including administration, retail, customer service and operations support.

The collective agreement expired on December 31, 2008.

Please contact a member of your Bargaining Team should you require additional information or would like to discuss further.

In Solidarity,

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