

April 12, 2011

## **NAVISTAR UNIT UPDATE**

### **C.A W. Local 127**

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I have attempted to wait to write until there was some information that would shed some light on our situation in a positive manner. Unfortunately there is little new to tell, however I will give an update.

There has been conversation between Brother Lewenza, along with Brother Chernecki, with a party that has former relations with the CAW that Navistar has hired to deal with the issues at the Chatham Facility. A meeting with the National Union Executive was held in March and some continued brief conversation since that time. Brother Lewenza and Brother Chernecki have again let the Company know that what was once offered by the Company to the Union could not be ratified. In the follow-up conversation, the issues with the Company's proposal from June of 2009 were raised with this new comer and he returned to have conversation with the Company. A meeting will be held sometime in May, date and time yet to be confirmed; I will notify the Membership of the meeting date and time when this information is passed onto the Committee.

The Local Hall is undergoing some changes due to being sold. Construction of a new entrance for the CAW Local 127 Hall is underway to enable us to continue to conduct meetings once per week for those who wish to attend. As you all know, EI has run out for all of us and due to this the Committee Members have sought employment and are currently working during the day. The new hall entrance will allow us access in the evenings. When this project is complete I will write the Membership and include new dates and times in regard to when we will be available in order to take care of any issues or concerns the Members have.

Until there is further conversation with the Company, the Unit Meetings will be on hold. There is currently nothing to report on, therefore none have been scheduled. Again, when there is something to report, I will post a meeting date and time for all who wish to attend.

Brother Jason King has found new employment in the Community and moved on from the CAW Action Centre. Brother King did a great job and will be missed. Congratulations to Brother Stu Winger who has been asked to replace Brother King at the Action Centre. I am sure that this Brother who has worked many hours along side of Brother King will do an excellent job. If you have questions or concerns, please see Brother Winger who I am sure will contact me if need be.

Any new information will be posted as it comes to us.

In Solidarity!

Cathy Wiebenga – Plant Chairperson