

CWA Bargaining Update for Wednesday, July 9, 2008

Negotiations resumed between CWA/IBEW 2213 Regional Bargaining Committees in Rye, New York. Today's discussion focused on the health care and prescription drug proposals. Yesterday, the bargaining committee met with the Local Presidents and discussed issues relating to the loss of jobs. The Local President provided the bargaining committee with details of the increasing volume of our work being contracted or performed by managers. The bargaining committee also discussed with the Local presidents the importance of defining the jobs of the future.

The full committee will be meeting with the Company tomorrow morning to discuss the issues of jobs, today's jobs as well as the jobs of the future. The parties have agreed to meet in sub committees during the afternoon. Sub committees have been established to address our demands on arbitration and FIOS work.

Strike votes are now underway in every Local. The results will be announced next week.

Time to Mobilize