

CWA/IBEW Bargaining Update for Wednesday, July 23, 2008

The bargaining Committees continued to meet in Rye, New York today however the Company has failed to respond to our demands. Every member should plan to attend the rally in New York City on Saturday to show support for your bargaining committee. It is important that we let the Company know that our demands are serious and that time is running out.

The three CWA District Vice Presidents and IBEW officials continued to meet with high level Verizon management in Washington D.C. today to push the Unions agenda. Meetings at both locations are scheduled to continue tomorrow.

Members riding the buses to the New York City rally will be asked to fill out cards to join the Million Member Mobilization campaign in support of efforts to pass the Employee Free Choice Act. Once the Free Choice Act is law future bargaining committees will have the benefit of increased numbers of members in the Labor movement which will strengthen our voice at the bargaining table.