



AUGUST 2007 WEBSITE REPORT

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JOINT CAW / TCA COUNCIL

I recently had the opportunity to attend the joint CAW / TCA Council held in St. John Newfoundland on August 10-12. The Council was a great opportunity to talk to members from other sectors of our Union. The one message that was clear from all the Sisters and Brothers that I spoke to was our Government needs to do more to protect Canadian Jobs.

It is not just the Auto Industry that is experiencing a lack of support from our Federal Government; they seem to have forgotten about us ALL in the Manufacturing sector. We need to Elect to office the people that will best represent the Manufacturing sector in our country. Without good manufacturing jobs our great country becomes weak in the global market.

These same comments came from Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams who is a member of the Conservative Party. His message was clear "VOTE A B C – ANYONE BUT CONSERVATIVE" in the upcoming elections. These are strong words from a Premier who is a member of the Conservative Party. Premier Williams also criticized the Harper government over the major cuts to our Women's and Cultural Programs.

THE CAW DELEGATES GAVE PREMIER WILLIAMS A STANDING OVATION FOR HIS SPEECH.

VACATION TIME REMAINING

If anyone has vacation time remaining, remember any unscheduled vacation time after September 1st can be scheduled by the company.

LVL DOWN WEEKS

Our LVL is scheduled to be down the week of September 17th. It looks as though the LVL will be seeing more down weeks in the future as well. We are waiting for the company to get back to us on the cost analysis comparison between working overtime in WEP [Saturday's] and working straight time in ANNEX with minimized down schedule.

The company is also looking at the cost breakdown for reducing the line back to 300 volumes.

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Our 3-V department has been getting all the Mod's changed over for the complexity of our 3-V Heads. As well we are getting ready to start up our fourth Mod this fall. For ALL these changes to occur around the same time will be a difficult task for our membership, but one we believe we can achieve if the proper planning and scheduling takes place.

THE ANNEX MOTORS ON!

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Plant Chairperson
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