



JANUARY 2007 WEBSITE REPORT

WINDSOR ENGINE

As of this writing the schedule continues to increase slowly. The company is indicating that Saturdays will continue at least through March and possibly longer. The reason for this is the Econoline Vans no longer have the option of a Diesel Power Train. It is being replaced by the 5.4 2 valve as well as 6.8 ltr. They are also taking some of the Diesel out of the F-250 and up. We will continue to monitor the build schedule and meet with the company to discuss other options to try and get some of laid-off members back to work.

We have been in many discussions with the company on areas in the plant where departments are struggling to meet production and are telling them that they have cut too deep in these areas. As in the other plants they just continue to say if we put a job back then we need to find an offset. It is very hard to understand their logic. In my opinion it is quit simple THE OFFSET IS, THESE DEPARTMENTS WOULD THEN BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR PRODUCTION and meet customer requirements.

There continues to be issues with coveralls in the plant. The Company has performed many locker audits and in some cases finding excess amounts of coveralls. H.R. is now getting involved and saying that in any future audits if they find excess coveralls they may take disciplinary action. As well the company has caught someone outside the plant on their day off wearing Ford coveralls and has taken disciplinary action against them. If you do not have a Doctors note which states that you are allergic to the cleaning solution used by the re-wash company I would advise not taking any coveralls home with you. They are Ford Motor Company property.

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