

## **BELL BARGAINING REPORT #18**

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

To all Bell Locals

Sisters and Brothers,

Immediately upon receiving the results of the vote on Bell's contract offer, we contacted Bell about returning to the bargaining table as soon as possible to continue negotiations.

Within a short time, Bell's chief spokesperson returned with their answerthey will not be returning to the bargaining table at this time, and are reviewing all of their options.

We are confident that once Bell gets over the shock of the huge rejection of their offer, they will agree to return to the table.

In the meantime, neither Bell nor the Union have invoked the 72-hour notice of strike or lock-out as required by the Canada Labour Code.

It is very important that, until further notice, all members continue to work in the same professional manner as normal and to respect the collective agreement.

Solidarity Works!

Richard Chaumont, National Representative Sean Howes, National Representative