

Unifor Local 25

Today, Local 25 was advised by Unifor the intention of Bell Canada to surplus 82 workers. The details of where these cuts will take place and who will be affected has not been shared. The Joint Labour Relations Committee will be meeting with the company next week to challenge and review the details of this pending injustice.

Bell Canada has long been engaged in a systematic attack on workers without any sense of civic or moral responsibility. We all know someone who has been harassed for metrics designed to be virtually impossible to meet or recently have witnessed the baselessness with which they've gone about cutting the hours of part time workers while also outsourcing work to contractors or even offering overtime to senior Bell Craft or Bell Technical Solutions technicians.

Now, more than ever, solidarity with your union colleagues is vital.

Turning a blind eye or hoping the company will ignore you if you remain silent is not a viable strategy to ensure you are not affected in the future. There is only so much work they can give away, so many people they can surplus before it will affect the food you put on your family dinner table.

When the Local has more information, we will share it with the membership. Below is the communication sent today by National to the Local for us to disseminate to you.

TO: ALL LOCALS WITH BELL CRAFT & SERVICES MEMBERS

Sisters and Brothers,

On Friday afternoon, the Union received notice from the Company that they intend to declare a surplus of approximately 82 Regular employees who are covered under the Memorandum of Agreement on Force Adjustment in the Bell Canada Craft & Services Collective Agreement.

We have asked the Company to provide us with the names and locations of those affected and! we are working to set up a meeting with the Company and the Bargaining Committee.

We know that this announcement will be distressing to the membership and we appreciate that the members will want as much information as possible.

As per the MOA, the Union and Company are to meet to discuss this issue and once we do that we will provide further details.

Thanks for your patience while we work through this.

In Solidarity,

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