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BARGAINING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Zone Committeeman 3rd Shift – Chris Phillips

Shop Committeeman – Joe Perry
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• APPENDIX A MANPOWER REQUEST

The plant has put in an Appendix A request for an additional 30 people who may have expressed interest in transferring to FWA. What does this mean to new hires or conversions? If less than the 30 accept the transfer, we will have the ability to hire additional temps to full time employment to fill the additional vacancies.

• FWA TO RECEIVE 55 MILLION IN FUTURE INVESTMENTS

As we've explained in previous publications to the membership, your Shop Committee and I have been in multiple sets of negotiations and discussions on investments to FWA. Approximately half of this money will be spent on projects that will secure our volume at FWA and the rest will go to specific projects that will allow us to adjust to the new models ahead of us. This is extremely positive for this facility and needs to be completed as part of our current negotiations. We realize some members are concerned about the extension of our current Local Agreement. Let me assure you these measures had to be put in place to protect this membership before we went any further. These last 18 months have been anything but normal conditions. We don't believe our parts conditions are going to clear up anytime soon, so be patient, timing is everything. I will explain in more depth in your next local voices addition.

• UNEMPLOYMENT FAQ

After the sudden layoff last week, we have received many questions about the processes of filing for unemployment and the ID.me verification process.

Question #1 What if I didn't open my claim between July 25 through July 31?

If you were unable to open your claim in this time frame, your claim will be denied by Indiana Unemployment without the possibility of appeal.

Question #2 Do I have to verify my identity with ID.me if the state requests it.

YES, if you have a Verify Identity to do item on your unemployment home page you will need to verify with ID.me. To complete the ID.me process, you will need to create an ID.me account, follow the prompts to upload a copy of your Driver's License (front and back), take a selfie and verify your personal information. This process jumps between your phone and computer and can be complicated. Take your time and follow the directions. (To complete this process, you will need a cell phone, computer, driver's license, and email account. It is easier to complete ID.me if you start on your computer and take photos on your smartphone)

Some people have issues with ID.me that require a video chat to verify your identity. If this happens to you make sure you have the documents that ID.me requests BEFORE you initiate the chat.

ID.me is an ID verification process mandated by the state of Indiana to curb fraudulent claims, **GM and the UAW are not involved in this process.**

Question #3 When do I file my Voucher for the week of July 25-31?

If you opened your claim during the week we were laid off, you must log back into the unemployment website and file your claim voucher for unemployment starting on August 1. If your claim voucher is not filed by Saturday August 7 at 8:59 PM EST, you will forfeit your benefit for the week.

If you need assistance from any of the training reps or if you go to the union hall for help with unemployment, you must be able to access your email. Please remember to bring your driver's license and cell phone with you also. If you have any other issues, please contact Indiana Unemployment at 1-800-891-6499

• **FILING FOR SUBPAY**

Until Indiana becomes an auto-sub state, you will have to continue to file once your unemployment claim has been completed. The local union and local management have no control over this aspect of pay.

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