

Federal Government Dockyard Trades & Labour Council (West)



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FGDTLC (West) Collective Bargaining

After 3 sessions and 9 days of collective bargaining, the Council bargaining team has reached an impasse with the employer for the new collective agreement. There is a very significant gap between the parties for financial compensation (wages) that we were not able to overcome at the bargaining table.

As everyone should be aware, the dispute resolution process we have opted for is binding arbitration in the event of an impasse at the bargaining table. It is important for all to understand that as we opted for binding arbitration at the onset of the bargaining process, strike action is not an option.

We will be discussing the next steps with our legal counsel and our 11 Affiliate Unions in the coming days/weeks. As decisions are made regarding the next steps, that information will be disseminated to the SRW bargaining group.

I would like to thank all the members of the bargaining team for their diligent work over the past months on behalf of the Ship Repair West members.

In solidarity,

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Des Rogers
President
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