



August 30, 2018 Negotiations Update

This is Labor Day Weekend, which celebrates the rights of labor. solidarity is key to the success of labor union negotiations.

Deron Blakely and I will be going to main table negotiations Tuesday September 4th to discuss wages and benefits. The bargaining committee will still be closing the gap here in Springfield with local management. Local negotiations have been very tough so far. The bargaining committee and I will continue to talk and work through our issues with the company. Locally we have been discussing seniority supplement, local letters, safety, skilled trades, and many grievances. Although we have found common ground on some there is still a lot to discuss. We all understand the stress that negotiations has on the membership and our families. We ask everyone to continue to focus on building the best quality truck for our customers, so please be patient as we progress through these negotiations.

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