

Bargaining Resumes in Pittsburgh

(September 29) – After spending a few weeks gathering feedback from our brothers and sisters in our locals around the country, our USW bargaining committee returned to Pittsburgh on Monday, Sept. 28, to resume negotiations with U.S. Steel.

Our bargaining team met among themselves and with company representatives for several hours on Monday, discussing a wide range of issues, including active and retiree health care, contracting out and health and safety. While significant differences remain on each of these issues, we believe we are making progress, and we will continue to work hard to reach a fair agreement.

Health Care

We continue to exchange proposals with the company and review a number of options regarding health care for both pre-Medicare and Medicare-eligible retirees. Our goal continues to be making sure both our active employees and retirees have access to quality, affordable health care, and we will continue to push back against the company's demands for deep concessions.

Contracting Out

We plan to exchange proposals later this week with U.S. Steel on the issue of contracting out.

Health & Safety

We have expressed our concerns with the company about health and safety-related issues and pressed the company on its plans to address these problems. Unfortunately, U.S. Steel continues to insist on having full control over our union safety representatives.

Our committee will continue to meet among ourselves and with U.S. Steel to discuss these and other issues as this week progresses, and we will keep you up to date on any developments as our talks continue. Stay strong, keep working safely, and remember to keep in touch with your CAT coordinators!

**In Solidarity,
Your 2015 U.S. Steel Bargaining Committee**

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