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Illinois & NW Indiana 2009 AT&T Mobilization & Bargaining News

June 5, 2009 IBEW AT&T Bargaining Update #9

More STRIKE VOTE Locations Added & Bargaining Summary

Our Current Contract with AT&T expires in 22 days.

Strike Vote Authorization Meetings

Due to the importance of the June Meetings, the leadership of IBEW Local 21 has announced there will be 3 additional strike vote meeting locations.

June 9, 2009, 7:00 Unit 2

Lansing American Legion Post #697
18255 Grant St.
Lansing, IL 60438
708-474-5906

June 10, 2009, 7:00 Unit 4

Lemont VFW
15780 New Ave.
Lemont, IL 60439
630-257-9859

June 11, 2009, 7:00 Unit 1

Best Western
4400 Frontage Rd.
Hillside, IL 60162
708-544-9300

June 11, 2009, 7:00 Unit 3

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
495 Airport Rd.
Elgin, IL 60123
847-488-9000

June 15, 2009, 7:00 Unit 7

IBEW Local #649
4051 Humbert Rd.
Alton, IL 62002
618-462-1627



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June 16, 2009, 5:30 Unit 6

IBEW Local #193
3150 Wide Track Dr
Springfield, IL 62703
217-544-3479

June 17, 2009, 7:00 Unit 5

VFW Post #630
1303 E. Main St.
Urbana, IL 61802
217-367-4197

June 18, 2009, 7:00 Unit 3

Holiday Inn
7550 E. State St.
Rockford, IL 61108
815-398-2200

June 22, 2009, 7:00 Unit 5

American Legion Post #979
4501 S. Airport Rd.
Bartonville, IL 61607
309-697-2432

June 23, 2009, 7:00 Unit 4

IBEW Local #145
1700 52nd Ave., Suite A
Moline, IL 61265
309-736-4239

To get directions to the meetings [click here](#).



Bellwood

Bargaining Summary

Your workplace mobilization coordinators will be talking to you about many of the regressive proposals AT&T has demanded at the bargaining table. It is important we all understand the rigorous attacks made by our employer. These are just a few examples, there are many others as mentioned in previous updates.

1) The message AT&T has sent is simple. **AT&T is refusing to continue a relationship based on mutual responsibility and respect.** They have passed a proposal to eliminate Article 4.

2) **AT&T has proposed** to use union members as Temporary Management. The Temporary Managers would not have to be from your work location and would administer discipline. This also undercuts and threatens job security for their mindless minions of first line managers. This proposal affects Article 22.

3) **AT&T seeks to eliminate** premium pay for Sundays. The company is attempting to abolish most Seniority rights. AT&T is a demanding changes to overtime language where overtime would be distributed at the will of management. These demands affect Articles 18 and 19.

4) **AT&T wants the ability to arbitrarily change** your title and pay scale, at their discretion, at any time.

5) Rather than improve working conditions for **Premise Technicians AT&T has proposed to make their contract even worse.** AT&T wants to have Prem Techs perform wage group one work from the cross-box to the customers home with out compensating them with wage group one pay.

To read our current [contract click here.](#)

These important issues affect all of us. We must be prepared to defend the principles, benefits and wages we have gained through years of bargaining with our employer.



[Chicago-Carroll Street](#)

Visit the IBEW Local 21 [Youtube page here.](#)

Get Involved

Join the thousands of members who are defending our rights. Informational picketing will continue every Wednesday indefinitely as well as Blue Thursday's. Retirees will be joining us on the picket lines. Please welcome them back and thank them for their support.

Bargaining will resume on Tuesday June 9th and continue through Thursday June 11th.

Go to the IBEW Local 21 bargaining page by [clicking here](#).

Set to talk and ready to WALK!

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