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FORTY-FIVE WORKERS FIGHT ANTI-UNION CAMPAIGN TO JOIN TEAMSTERS

Local 330 Prepares to Negotiate Contract for Illinois Transfer Drivers

Facing fierce anti-union tactics, including mandatory captive audience meetings, transfer trailer drivers in East Dundee united to join Teamsters Local 330 last month.

The 45 workers of Midwest Transportation and Logistics Inc. stood firm against the company's anti-union campaign to join the union by a majority vote. The employees, who transport garbage to transfer stations and landfills, withstood aggressive coercion from management, which tried to dissuade workers from voting for the Teamsters.

"The unity and determination of this group has paid off as they succeeded in gaining a true voice at the company and bargaining table," said Dominic Romanazzi, Local 330 President.

The Elgin-based local is now looking forward to negotiating and securing the bargaining unit's first contract. The unit, which also includes laborers and operators, will be fighting for improved working conditions, job security and other opportunities for the new Teamster members.

"With a tight economy and pressure from companies to give workers less, this level of unity is a refreshing sight to see," said John T. Coli, President of Teamsters Joint Council 25. "The workers of Midwest Transportation should be proud for standing up for what they deserve and excited about the powerful representation they will receive with Local 330."

Teamsters Local 330 is an affiliate of Teamsters Joint Council 25, which represents more than 100,000 hardworking men and women throughout Illinois and Indiana.