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Article 8 information

The Company handed the Union an Article 8 notification on January 28, 2010 and although it took some time due to busy schedules Union and Company have met to discuss this pending Article 8.

Some members have been provided with one of the draft copies prior to the first 8.4 meeting on March 9, 2010. However the Union must reiterate that this was only a draft. This information was only one of the early versions and it appears that there were a number of drafts.

The leak of this information to the members to the Prairie region enabled the employees to inform this office of what to look out for. That said I personally thank all members that took the time to inform me on all the difficulties that have happened in the past Article 8's.

Although a slow start the Union and Company are holding the 8.4 meeting as per the Collective agreement.

The 8.4 meeting are ongoing and as not to provide information that may change both the Union and the Company will not provide/ leak information on this subject until it is finalized.

You must all understand and agree that until finalized I do not want to pass on false information as it may change.

I know it is difficult however please be patient.

I can however tell you that there has been meeting on March 9, 2010, March 22 & 23, 2010 and the next on is scheduled for April 13 & 14, 2010.

I can also inform you that there will be member ship meeting prior to the implementation of the Article 8 where as you will be able to ask question on your specific issues.

Sincerely yours;

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