



2018 Forestry Industry Bargaining

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IFLRA's CONCESSION LIST

The IFLRA—South Employer Bargaining association is continuing the concessionary agenda started in the North with CONIFER. However, in the South the employer wants even more concessions.

The List:

1. Health and Welfare Benefit Changes: The employer is targeting to reduce name-brand drug coverage and putting a cap on dental work.
2. Alternate Shift Schedules: Not satisfied with the current schedules, the employer wants more “flexibility” to change or implement schedules as they see fit
3. Tues-Saturday Clean-up Shifts at straight time for Saturday
4. More “flexibility” for Relief Supervisors and Chargehands to meet their needs
5. Elimination of the Discipline Sunset Clause
6. Extending the Probationary Period
7. Eliminating the Grading Ticket Premium
8. There's been no wage package presented but the IFLRA has indicated that what was offered in the North is what will be offered in the South.

The Employer has clearly indicated that the last contract was a “Rich” deal for our members.

Your Provincial Bargaining Committee needs a very strong message sent to the employer in the form of a strong STRIKE VOTE. Voting times and places for each mill will be posted and sent to the individual mill sites.

VOTE YES!

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