



BARGAINING BULLETIN # 47 4/5/2010

The Union and the Company met today in committee. Your Bargaining Committee, after careful item by item review, rejected as **completely inadequate** the latest company proposal for settlement. With only “**minor**” moves by the Company, the Union Bargaining Committee questioned whether the company really wanted to negotiate a fair contract or pass off the company’s version of “**status quo**” which translates to treating our Union Brothers and Sisters at RWS like second class citizens, a Mandatory Sales Compensation Plan that puts large percentages of wages at risk, **and contractor language that puts all of our jobs at the whim of the company!!** The company quotes copper line loss as a reason to cry poverty, and then *the Union finds out the company is putting out adds encouraging people to “Ditch their landline”*. The company complains that there are less contractors today (driven by the company’s stopping the FIOS build), then *the Union finds out the company is contracting out bargaining unit work to Tijuana Mexico*. The company states the FIOS build is winding down, but must have the “flexibility” of **Unlimited** FIOS contracting. Our membership deserves a fair contract and your bargaining committee will accept no less, *Not today, Not tomorrow, Not next week, Not next month, Not next year!*

KEEP MOBILIZING STAY UNITED STAY STRONG

In Solidarity

Your Union Bargaining Committee

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“Not Today, Not Tomorrow, Not Next Week, Not Next Month, Not Next Year.”
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