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**RE: KP National Bargaining Dates**

Dear KP and CSC members,

I am happy to report that Labor and Management have now agreed to sets of dates through May and June for National Bargaining. We have agreed to follow the normal format of bargaining in two to three day sets, every two to three weeks. We will also use sub-groups as in the past to take on issues and make recommendations to the Common Issues Committee (CIC) as we have done successfully in the past.

We will meet on April 17th with all participants from the unions of the Coalition, and with our management partners on April 18th. Bargaining will continue in May.

As stated before, the CIC members from Local 30 are myself, Annette Baxter, and Roger Lester. Our observers are Jon Larson, Catherine Engler, Michael Ramey and Mark Englehart. Our staff will be assigned as needed. Walter Allen will continue to lead the Coalition through the bargaining process.

Also, we plan to conduct local bargaining for both our KP and CSC units during the same timeframe as National Bargaining. We have already prepared many of the language changes we plan to propose and look forward to updating our local agreements. I will provide more information about local bargaining as we get closer to the start of that process.

More updates will be provided about the entire process as we proceed.

In unity,

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