



# **TRANSPORT WORKERS UNION OF AMERICA**

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**Brothers & Sisters;**

On Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> I will be in Dallas, Texas along with the chairman of stores Steve Gukelberger. We will reconvene with the stores group negotiating committee and meet with the company. The following week (July 14<sup>th</sup> thru July 18<sup>th</sup>) I will be in Dallas, Texas and reconvene with the M&R negotiating committee. The first two days the committee will meet internally and the next several days we will meet with the company. We will keep you informed as developments progress.

The company 2 weeks ago announced capacity reductions for the fourth quarter of 2008. The overall impact of these schedule changes and the effect on our local and in the system is in the process of being determined.

Several days ago there was an agreement reached between the company and the Transport Worker Union to offer a one-time "Voluntary Bridge to Retirement" (VBR). Overall it is an enhancement to the existing stand-and-stead. This new voluntary option will help minimize the number of employees who are involuntarily affected by a RIF. The company has stated information on this new voluntary option will be available on Jetnet. Hopefully the information will help those who are interested make an informed decision. Also, the company has begun to issue WARN letter to those employees who may be affected by a reduction in force. This is not a layoff notice; it's a regulatory requirement by law. If you have any questions see your station representative.

In closing, I will do my best to keep you informed of any developments and the local 562 board, station chairman and shop stewards will do all they can do to assist our brothers and sisters during these difficult times.

**Fraternally,  
John Iuliano  
President local 562**