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IAM/OPENSKIES NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

The parties met in negotiations on November 14 and 15 2011, in the offices of Jackson Lewis LLP. Present for the Company were Thomas Sleeman, Johann Vivier and Attorney, Roger Briton. Present for the Union were Negotiating Committee Members Cathy Carey, Noel Johnson and myself.

We continued to make progress and have come to agreement on language dealing with most of the non-economic items. We exchanged proposals on wages and benefits and are awaiting the Company's reply to our proposal.

The Company stated that they would have more information for us on the cost comparisons of the alternative hotels we recommended at our next meeting. They also informed us that they have had more staff apply for the voluntary options they offered than they will be able to accommodate, therefore eliminating the need for any furloughs.

Negotiations are scheduled to continue on January 19 and 20, 2012 and February 2 and 3, 2012. We will keep you up-to-date on our progress as we negotiate your first Collective Bargaining Agreement. Any questions or concerns should be communicated through your Shop Stewards. We appreciate your continued patience and support.

With best wishes, we remain

Sincerely and fraternally,

Michael Manzo

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GENERAL CHAIRPERSON

Cathy Carey Noel Johnson
NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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