



Regional Bargaining Report #20

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As many of you may have seen, Verizon spent the day making videos, rather than bargaining with the Union in an attempt to avert a strike upon expiration of this contract Saturday at midnight.

The Union made it clear in 2012 that we would not settle a contract without caring for our members and WE DID THAT. If the company wants to use scare tactics and play the role of Bully, everyone knows what happens to the Bully. Eventually he gets his ass handed to him.

Our members will do what is necessary to fight for a fair contract. Considering the antics of managers in 2011, our members are on to your games and we are more than prepared to protect ourselves against a "he said, she said" game. One of the terminations that Mudge spoke about on his video was one of our members putting a dent in a manager's car when he was run over on the picket line. In fact most of the so called "Code of Conduct" strike disciplines that were videoed by management were overturned by their own video evidence. Do they think they are the only ones who know how to use a video camera and dial 911? How will management feel when every single move they make is being watched?

If the company has anything else they would like to produce they can start with meaningful proposals that our membership would be interested in accepting.