



**BARGAINING REPORT #2**  
**BELL TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS**

**April 1, 2009**

Sisters and Brothers,

The Ontario bargaining committee met with BTS management for three days this week.

On the first day, the bargaining committee presented our package of bargaining proposals. The full list of proposals can be found on the CEP website at:

[http://www.cep.ca/reg\\_ontario/files/bell\\_technical/bell\\_technical.html](http://www.cep.ca/reg_ontario/files/bell_technical/bell_technical.html)

On the next day, the bargaining committee received a presentation on various benefits plan options by a representative of the benefits insurance provider. The issues related to benefits will be discussed again later in bargaining when the parties move to monetary issues.

Today, discussions began related to scheduling and manpower planning, particularly related to the increased volume of work and the hundreds of new employees currently being hired.

The next three bargaining dates starting April 7 will begin by concentrating on the Union's non-monetary proposals pertaining to Articles 12, 19, 20, 27, as well as the Appendices and the Letters of Intent.

We appreciate the support of the membership and will continue to provide updates as bargaining progresses.

*In solidarity,*

*Your Bargaining Committee*

*Jim Fling, Shawn Cowan, Sam Snyders, Sean Howes*