



LOCAL 1-2 UPDATE

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CON ED WORKERS OVERWHELMINGLY RATIFY NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

On July 29, 2008 the members of Local 1-2, Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, voted overwhelmingly to ratify a new Collective Bargaining Agreement with Con Edison. With 4,672 members voting 3,991 voted Yes and 681 voted No, an 85% affirmative vote. Local 1-2 President Harry J. Farrell said “Our members recognize the importance of retaining our Defined Benefits Pension and that issue was paramount in our members’ thinking. The attack on working people and the middle class by Corporate America, including its effort to terminate defined benefit pensions, continues unabated. If this trend continues, the retirements and quality of life of America’s workers will be severely compromised, putting great pressure on government to meet the needs of our elderly citizens.” With their vote, the Local 1-2 members showed their appreciation for the wage increases, the work protections and the continuation of their defined pension benefits negotiated by their leadership.

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