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Local 79 is very concerned that the City requested a 'no-board' report in its negotiations with Local 416, leading to the end of the 'no-board' period at 12:01 a.m. on February 5, 2012 (this Sunday morning).

We do not yet know what actions the City may take after the end of the no-board period. However, at some point following 12:01 a.m. on February 5, 2012 you may come across 416 information lines on your way to work and at your workplace.

There have been instances in the past, like the present, where the Locals have been negotiating on different schedules. There have been instances in which one local has been affected by a labour disruption while the other has not. In those situations, we have developed protocols which ensured that both the lines and the responsibilities of members not affected by the disruption were respected.

A no-board report has not been requested by the City with respect to Local 79 negotiations. Local 79 members must attempt to report for work, as our Collective Agreements are still in place.

Here is what you should do in order to ensure a safe and respectful situation:

If you encounter a Local 416 line when entering a building or a 416 work site during working hours, first identify yourself as a CUPE Local 79 member to the 416 Captain in charge. Ask whether you will be allowed to enter the building or work site. If you think there is a problem, or a risk to your personal safety, leave the area. Go to a telephone and call your supervisor for guidance and assistance in this matter.

Please give your Local 416 brothers and sisters on the lines as much respect and co-operation as possible. Do not try to park your car near the information line.

Please also show your support and solidarity for your Local 416 brothers and sisters. Join them on their lines before work, during your lunch period and after your working day.

As always, please check the Members' Portal on our website (cupelocal79.org) for the latest developments. Register for the Portal if you have not done so. To get in touch with the Emergency Measures Committee, contact:

Telephone: South District Office – 416-340-7017 Email: emergencymeasures@cupelocal79.org

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