

GAS WORKERS UNION LOCAL G-555



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To: All Local G-555 Members

Re: Tentative Agreement on a new 5-year Contract

Dear Brothers & Sisters.

As Executive President of Local G-555, I present for your approval a tentative agreement on a new five-year collective bargaining agreement (CBA). This agreement, which was bargained some 8-months before our current agreement is set to expire, was kept to a very limited range of topics and a shortened timeframe to see if a modified extension of our current contract could be reached, with the understanding that if both sides could not come to an agreement we would be at the bargaining table, as scheduled, in early 2022.

What we present to you is what we feel is a fair and equitable agreement that we believe gives our Members both employment and financial security for the next five and one-half years in these uncertain times. The abbreviated bargaining also allowed us to keep certain items off the table that we would consider "take-aways" that we felt would be staring us in the face come Spring of next year.

Our Local has been very successful in the past in securing mid-term agreements in the form of Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) and we will continue to address major issues in that manner moving forward.

Enclosed is a brochure that outlines the changes to the existing CBA. We are proud that nothing in this agreement harms our current members; there is no decrease in compensation or benefits and a majority of the language changes spell out and clarify the way things are currently being done. This brochure is a high-level overview of the tentative agreement; to review the entire red-lined agreement, visit the Negotiations page within the password-protected Members Section of our website (https://g-555.com/Members). Contract books will be printed and provided to each member by June of 2022 when the new agreement will take effect.

If you have questions regarding the agreement, please reach out to your Union Representative or call the Union Office at (216) 328-0154. We can also be reached via email at info@G-555.com.

Please see the reverse side of this letter for details on the ratification voting process.

Fraternally Yours,

Eddie Hall, Executive President Gas Workers Union Local G-555

Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO

The ratification vote will be held in accordance of the Local G-555 By-Laws at the shops on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 via the drive-up method we have successfully used in our most recent Union elections. Officers of the Union will be on-site to answer any of your last-minute questions prior to casting your ballot.

DATE: Wednesday, November 10, 2021

TIME: 6:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LOCATIONS:

Akron District

- Eastwood Shop 2100 Eastwood Ave., Akron, OH 44305 (Eastwood Shop & OTTC employees vote at Eastwood Shop)
- Springside Shop 320 Springside Dr., Akron, OH 44333
- Wilbeth Shop 1000 W. Wilbeth Rd., Akron, OH 44314

Ashtabula District

• Ashtabula Shop - 7001 Center Rd., Ashtabula, OH 44004

Cleveland District

- Eastern Shop (Randall) 22000 Miles Rd., Cleveland, OH 44128
- Northeast Shop 29555 Clayton Ave., Wickliffe, OH 44092
- Western Shop (West Park) 15601 Chatfield Ave., Cleveland, OH 44111
- E 55th St. Center 1201 E 55th St., Cleveland, OH 44103

Dover/New Philadelphia - Marietta District

- Marietta Shop 98 Starlite Dr., Marietta, OH 45750
- (Marietta Shop, Woodsfield Shop, & Switzerland Station employees vote at Marietta) New Philly Shop - 100 11th St., NW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663 (New Philly Shop, Cambridge Shop, & Belmont Shop employees vote at New Philly)

Lima District

Lima Shop – 150 South Jackson St., Lima, OH 45802
(Lima Shop, 4th St. Training Center, Van Wert Shop, & Celina Shop employees vote at Lima)

Canton District

- Canton-Perry Yard 4725 Southway St., SW, Canton, OH 44706
- Wooster –1049 Heyl Rd., Wooster, OH 44691

North Canton District

 North Canton Shop – 7015 Freedom St., NW, North Canton, OH 44720 (Franklin Shop, Robinson Station/Gross Station, Chippewa Station, & North Canton Shop employees will all vote at North Canton Shop)

Youngstown District

• Youngstown Shop – 1165 W. Rayen Ave., Youngstown, OH 44502