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Dear Member,

As communicated last week, the next negotiation meeting with TSA is February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022 (next week).

After meeting with the TWU to discuss strategy going forward, they have committed to a much higher level of presence for their members in region 6. Extra staff have been brought in and a series of ongoing meetings will be happening at all depots. It is our hope that his means their members on the ground are kept informed about what is happening and we can move forward together in any upcoming action united.

Both unions will be caucusing before the bargaining meeting and making sure we are united in our message and purpose with what members have said they want.

The company remains determined to play games it seems, and have refused to make the meetings more than 2 hours long or commit to a series of meetings. These will be the first issues addressed.

It may be necessary to begin industrial action again if we continue to go nowhere. As before, we are likely to start with something soft before we hit them with work bans (striking). Even though we took multiple actions last year, including striking, the general public remained onside with us and supportive of our struggle. It's important we keep this up as it puts more pressure on the company, and less on the workers.

A bulletin will follow next week's meeting to update members on progress.

In Solidarity.

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