

Regional Bargaining Report # 17

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CWA District 1/IBEW Local 2213 and IBEW New England Regional Committees met with the Company today at the Rye Town Hilton in Rye, NY. With just 5 days before contract expiration, Verizon has yet to get serious at the bargaining table. While the message from Saturday's rally, where more than 15,000 CWA/IBEW members, retirees and their families stood together to let Verizon know their demands are totally unacceptable, was carried by the media.... Verizon still doesn't get it.

Today, to once again let Verizon know what our position is, your regional bargaining committee rejected virtually all of the Company's bargaining proposals.

Verizon seems hell-bent on destroying the middle class jobs CWA and IBEW have fought so hard to create over the last 50 years of collective bargaining.

It is time that Verizon invests in America and brings Good Jobs back into the bargaining unit. Corporations like Verizon should not be destroying middle class jobs. They should be helping to rebuild the American economy and sharing their success with the workforce that made that possible.

It's time to fight back!

Now more than ever we need to mobilize!

Mobilize! – Mobilize! – Mobilize!