

Solidarity

with Induction Services Workers Against Toyota Accepting Scab Parts

Since February 26 American Axle UAW workers have been striking for a decent contract and against wage cuts and plant closings. When the strike began we were picketing in the snow. Since then we've picketed in the rain and wind, and now it's spring and we are still at square one in the negotiations. We are now the longest strike in U.S. auto history in more than forty years! Last year Dick Dauch, American Axle's CEO, had a benefit package of \$10 million, a 9% increase, nonetheless he's demanding that workers take a 50% wage and benefit cut. In fact, over the last 14 years he's made more than \$250 million! But he's also threatening to close down several plants. If we gave in to these demands many of us would lose our homes and be unable to provide for our children's education. We believe everyone should have the right to a decent wage!

Since we have been on strike American Axle supervisors have been building the Hino axles, which are being sent to Induction Services. So we have set up an informational picket line on public property to highlight how wrong it is for Toyota to use scab Hino axles that American Axle workers were making before the strike, and would like to make again after we settle. We have notified the National Labor Relations Board that we are here, and they told us our activity is perfectly legal.

We are not asking you to stop work, but we do ask that if you handle Hino axles from American Axle Detroit Forge please look for the upmost quality. Inferior work can mean serious consequences. We also ask that you "work to rule." That is we are asking you not to do management any favors - just go by the written rules.

We understand that you are a UAW-represented shop, that your contract is coming up and that you too have taken a strike vote. We want to express our solidarity with you in your fight for a better contract.

When workers stand together, we have much more protection than when each person stands alone. We are asking for your support to our fight, and we pledge to have your back. Let's stay in touch!

SOLIDARITY FOREVER!

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