

SPECIAL: INDUCTION SERVICES Information Picket Line

An Update on the May 14, 2008 event

This week's informational picket, a success!

Once again our information picket line at Induction Services like at Poletown was a success! We had heard it was a non-union plant and had a leaflet that explained why we were there, who we were and encouraged them to join a union. A worker came out to inform us that they were a part of UAW, L. 771, an amalgamated local in Region 1. He did not know that work coming to them was made by scabs at American Axle.

In fact, their contract expires tomorrow and they have had a strike vote! We revised our leaflet for the afternoon shift expressing solidarity with them in their attempt to gain a good contract. Most workers were friendly and interested in what we had to say. They are located on a very busy street so many people honked when they saw our signs saying "Unity", "Union, Yes" and "Solidarity". Since it was raining, we looked very dedicated!

We must have touched a nerve because we were called by a company lawyer, who then called Local 235 President-elect Bill Alford, Jr. demanding he make us stop. He told him it was our legal right. No doubt Induction Services did not want it known their connection to American Axle, especially by their workers! And the idea of their workers coming into contact with us must be pretty scary!

Take the 'hundreds' of concessions off the table! No wage cuts! No plant closings!

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