



## CWA/Verizon Bargaining Report

### Common Issues

CWA Bargaining Update for Wednesday, December 14, 2011

For the past several weeks, the CWA District 1/IBEW Local 2213 and IBEW New England Regional Committees and the CWA District 2-13/ IBEW Mid Atlantic Regional Committees have been meeting at the Rye Town Hilton in Rye, NY. The meetings have been "off the record" discussions in sub-committees focusing on several major areas of our collective bargaining agreements.

The company continues to undermine the bargaining process by not providing information on its partnership with Comcast, Time Warner and Bright House Cable Companies. Your committees demanded that full disclosure of the company's planned partnership be shared with CWA/IBEW to determine the effect on our members. The company has agreed to provide this information at a meeting of Union and company leadership tentatively scheduled for next week.

The sub-committee process of the last several weeks has not had the desired outcome. So no further sub-committee meetings are scheduled.

After your CWA/IBEW Regional teams receive and evaluate the cable partnership information, formal bargaining sessions will be scheduled. In all likelihood, no sessions will be scheduled until after January 1, 2012.

It is more important than ever that our members continue to mobilize and that EVERY member commit to spending 4 hours per week participating in mobilization activities. Please contact your local for instructions.

Your bargaining teams thank you for all your support and wish all CWA/IBEW brothers and sisters a joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.

*Remember to Wear RED!!!*

Now more than ever we need to mobilize!

Mobilize! – Mobilize! – Mobilize!