

RWU Resolution on An Emergency Wage Re-Opener

Whereas: The railroad carriers have not hesitated to place special surcharges on freight rates due to the high cost of fuel; and

Whereas: The high cost of fuel is now severely impacting railroad workers in all aspects of life: food, utilities and transportation; and

Whereas, the new national master freight contract has scuttled any remaining COLA for most rail union members;

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that Railroad Workers United (RWU) at its Founding Convention in Dearborn, Michigan April 11, 2008 calls for a system-wide wage re-opener for all rail labor contracts, so that rail workers' unions can negotiate an emergency wage increase to protect their members from the ravages of spiking living costs.

The above Resolution was adopted by those members assembled at the RWU Convention, April 11, 2008.