



## Sudbury Mine Mill & Smelter Worker's Union Local 598/Unifor

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# NEWSLETTER

## Members that work at FIRST NICKEL INC.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of First Nickel Inc.,

On January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015, we had 30 bargaining unit employees laid off.

To date, we have had a couple of people take early retirement and those jobs have been posted on the job posting board.

We have had one hoist-man recalled and 2 workers for temporary emergency work (one millwright and one mobile mechanic).

Over the next 2 weeks, we will be meeting with the company over 2 dismissal grievances as well as numerous 2<sup>nd</sup> stage grievances.

There is still much chaos in the workplace with the new re-structuring plan and there will be more changes – so watch the job posting board for opportunities.

For anyone who was demoted from Miner “B” to Miner “C”, the job postings are a way to get your position and rate of pay back.

Check your paystubs thoroughly as there seems to be lots of errors occurring, in particular, over the 9 hour shift schedule and overtime. Please give your steward or myself a copy of your paystub and a note explaining what the issue is so that they may address it for you.

We are working hard on all of your behalf and for our laid-off co-workers, a big thanks to Roger Charbonneau, James McDonald and Tom McIntyre who came into the hall and donated time to help our people.

In Solidarity,

*Cathy Mikkelsen*

Cathy Mikkelsen, Unit Chair

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*Something to strive for!!!*

