



Sudbury Mine Mill & Smelter Worker's Union
Local 598/Unifor
2550 Richard Lake Road
Sudbury, ON P3G 0A3
Phone: 705-673-3661 Fax: 705-673-1183
Website: www.minemill598.com



BRINKS CANADA (Sudbury) NEWSLETTER

October, 2014

Dear Fellow Members,

As of recently, the companies solution to our concerns regarding safe use of the fire damaged trucks has been to ship them back and for us to acquire trucks from other branches. To my knowledge, only one of our trucks will be used by other branches where as the other one will be taken off the road pending proper cleaning. I know that some of you are disappointed that we are losing two good trucks, but the health concerns are there and unfortunately the trucks were not properly clean in the first place. The other issue we would be dealing with in keeping their trucks would be the continued corrosiveness of all electrical components. With all this said, I believe we will have a safer working environment with the trucks we have acquired. I will continue to monitor the use of the 26-309 and 28-308 and ensure that the parties using these trucks know the history.

On another note, as we continue our push to have our industry regulated, the Federal Minister responsible is telling us that this is a Provincial matter. We will not let this stop us, we know we are Federal and will continue to do what it takes to succeed in our quest.

FACT: *Until now, the cornerstone of ensuring health and safe work places has been an internal responsibility system based on worker and employee engagement, consultation and participation. Where that system was ineffective to resolve disputes about the impact of the job on a workers' health, we had laws that regulated hazards in the workplace on the basis of a system of monitoring and enforcement by trained and neutral health and safety officers, and if necessary, recourse to a tribunal staffed by independent decision makers. Bill C-4 will change all that and roll the dice with workers safety.*

Be safe!!!

In Solidarity,

Gates St. Louis

Gates St. Louis
Unit Chair/Co-Chair



United we stand, divided we fall