

McKesson Strike Heading Into Fifth Week

Edmonton, July 23, 2010 -- UFCW Local 401 members continue to be on strike against McKesson Canada, and have been striking since the final week of June to back up their demands for wage fairness, benefit improvements, as well as issues of dignity and respect.

Approximately two-hundred workers have been without a contract since the beginning of 2009. McKesson Canada has warehouses located across Canada with the Edmonton warehouse workers trailing, by far, with the lowest wage rates compared with their counterparts in Vancouver (Coquitlam), Calgary, and Regina. The company has continued its ignorance, and has failed to squarely address the issue of wage disparity. McKesson Edmonton workers have twice overwhelmingly rejected the company's "final and best" offer which the workers felt was unfair, short sighted, and concessionary.

The workers at McKesson Edmonton invite other union members and supporters to visit them on their picket lines which are set up at both McKesson warehouse locations. The main warehouse is located at 10931 - 177 Street, and the smaller warehouse is at 18503 - 107 Avenue.

Those that have passed by and honked your horns, or who have come to the line with good wishes, food, coffee, barbeques, or simply just to walk and talk;

– THANK YOU –

on behalf of all striking McKesson members.

Keep visiting... you're always welcome!

In the meantime, the Union's bargaining committee has indicated that they are prepared to meet and negotiate with McKesson at anytime.

