# **COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT**

BETWEEN:

# PETERSON SPRING KINGSVILLE, ONTARIO

- AND -

NATIONAL AUTOMOBILE,
AEROSPACE
TRANSPORTATIONAND GENERAL
WORKERS UNION OF CANADA
(CAW-CANADA)
AND ITS LOCAL 1769

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#### PURPOSEAND INTENT

THE GENERAL PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT IS TO SET FORTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOY-MENT, AND TO PROMOTE ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL LABOUR RELATIONS FOR THE MUTUAL INTEREST OF THE COMPANY, THE EMPLOYEES, AND THE UNION.

THE PARTIES RECOGNIZETHATTHE SUCCESS OF THE COMPANY AND THE JOB SECURITY OF THE EMPLOY-EES DEPENDS UPON THE COMPANY'S SUCCESS IN BUILDING A QUALITY PRODUCT AND ITS ABILITY TO SELL SUCH PRODUCT.

TO THESE ENDS, THE COMPANY AND THE UNION ENCOURAGE TO THE FULLEST DEGREE FRIENDLY AND CO-OPERATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AT ALL LEVELS AND AMONG ALL EMPLOYEES.

#### PREAMBLE

This Agreement, entered into as of the 11th day of December, 2002, between Peterson Spring - Kingsville Plant, hereinafter referred to as the "Company", and the Canadian Auto Workers and its Local 1769, hereinafter referred to as the "Union", representing the Company's employees in the recognized unit.

#### ARTICLE 1 - RECOGNITION AND EXCLUSIONS

- 1:01 The Company recognizes the Union as sole bargaining agent of all employees of Peterson Spring Kingsville Plant, at Kingsville, Ontario. save and except Foremen, persons above the rank of Foremen, office and sales staff.
- 1:02 The Company will negotiate at all times necessary in the manner provided herein with the chosen accredited representatives of the Union, for the purpose of determining any disputes which may now exist or which may arise as to wages, hours, working conditions or any other questions affecting the employees.

#### ARTICLE 2 - MANAGEMENTS RIGHTS

- 2:01 The Union acknowledges that it is the exclusive function of the Company to hire, promote, demote, transfer and suspend employees, and also the right of the Company to discipline or discharge any employee for just cause, provided that a claim by an employee, who has acquired seniority, that he has been discharged or disciplined without just cause may be the subject of a grievance and dealt with as hereinafter provided.
- 2:02 The Union recognizes the right of the company to operate and manage its business in all respects in accordance

with its commitments and responsibilities, and that the location of its plants, the products to be manufactured, the schedules of production and distribution, the methods, processes, and means of manufacturing are solely; the responsibility of the Company. The Company also has the right to maintain order, discipline and efficiency.

2:03 The Company agrees that it will not exercise its management's rights for the **purpose** of restricting or limiting the rights of its employees herein granted.

#### ARTICLE 3 - REPRESENTATION

3:01 The Company acknowledges the right of the Union to appoint or otherwise select, a plant committee, otherwise known as the Union Plant Committee, which shall be composed of not more than three [3] members, one [1] of whom shall be the Chairperson. The Company recognizes the Plant Committee as sole representatives in contract negotiations. Each member of this Committee shall have at least one [1] year's seniority with the Company and shall be regular employees of the Company during their time of office.

The Company will recognize and bargain with said Committee on any matter properly arising out of this agreement, and the said Committee will co-operate with the Company in the Administration of this agreement. Committee members will rotate on all three [3] shifts when their particular department is operating on a three [3] shift schedule and work in their classification as available, or on two [2] shifts if the department is so operating. The Union Plant Chairperson will remain on Day Shift.

- 3:02 Plant Committeeperson shall be allowed up to four (4) hours during day shift and two (2) hours during afternoon and midnight shift to discuss and present grievances and settle other Union business pertaining to Peterson Spring Kingsville Plant. Additional time, se required, will not be unreasonably withheld and shall be paid for such time at regular rates. The provisions of this section apply only when the time taken is during the normal working hours of the Committeeperson. When a Plant Committeeperson attends a Step No. 3 Grievance Meeting before or after his regular shift, he shall be paid for such time at his regular straight-time rate.
- 3:03 Only one [1] Union Committeeperson shall be permitted to take regular work time to investigate and settle grievances during any one [1] shift unless certain circumstances justify an additional Committeeperson. If two [2] or more members of the Bargaining Committee are assigned to any one [1] shift, the Union shall designate one [1] representative for such shift. The Chairperson of the Plant Committee shall be the designated representative for the Day Shift. Should a Committeeperson have a grievance, he shall have the right to be represented by another Committeeperson in accordance with the procedures set forth in Article 4.
- 3:04 The Company will recognize an alternate Union Committeeperson appointed or otherwise selected by the Union during any hours of scheduled work in which a regular Union Committeeperson is not in the plant. Such alternate Committeeperson will have a minimum of one (1) year seniority unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Company and the Union Plant Committee. He shall be allowed and paid for the same amount of time

as the Plant Committeepersons to **discuss** and present grievances with the foreman on the shift, or such other person designated by Management to act in its behalf in the absence of the Foreman.

- 3:05 The Union agrees to notify the Company in writing whenever any changes occur in the personnel or status of the Plant Committee and alternate and the effective dates of such changes.
- 3.06 The Company will supply the Union with a list of the members of Management responsible for the Administration of the contract and notify the Committee Chairperson when changes occur.
- 3:07 An employee shall have a Union representative with him when called into the Foreman's or Plant Manager's office for any disciplinary action or investigation pertaining to any disciplinary action.
- 3:08 Union executives and Union Plant Committee will be allowed to take necessary time offfrom work to attend regular monthly union meetings and union functions. Foremen or other supervisory management personnel must be notified in advance when such absences are to occur.
- 3:09 The Shop Committee and the Company representative shall meet providing there is business for their joint consideration at such times as may be mutually agreed upon.

A request for a meeting will be indicated by a letter or note from either party to the other party containing an agenda of subjects to be discussed. The parties will consult regularly for purposes of discussing issues relating to the work place which affect the employees or the parties to this agreement.

3:10 The Company will recognize one employee designated by the Skilled Trades group to specifically deal with Skilled Trades issues through the Plant Committee. The Skilled Trades Representative is not considered a regular member of the Plant or Negotiation Committee.

#### ARTICLE 4 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 4:01 The parties to this agreement are agreed that it is of the utmost importance to adjust complaints and grievances as quickly as possible.
- 4:02 No grievance shall be considered:
  - a) Which usurps the function of the Management
  - b) Where the circumstances giving rise to it occurred or originated and the grievance was filed more than five [5] full working days from the time the grievor or the union became aware of the cause giving rise to the grievance whenever practical.
- 4:03 Grievances properly arising under this agreement shall be adjusted and settled as follows:

# Step No. 1

The aggrieved employee shall present his grievance orally to his Foreman. If not satisfactorily settled, he shall have the assistance of one member of the Plant Committee or an alternate in discussing and writing the grievance. Committeepersons and alternates shall be permitted by their Foreman to leave their work without

undue delay to handle grievances. If a settlement satisfactory to the employee and or the union is not reached, the grievance will be reduced to writing on a form supplied by the Union and given to the Foreman. The Foreman will place his written answer on the grievance copy within two (2) working days thereafter. If the grievance is still not satisfied, the grievance may be presented as follows at any time within two (2) working days thereafter.

# Step No. 2

The aggrieved employee may, with a member of the Plant Committee, present his written grievance to the Plant Superintendent who shall consider it and render his decision in writing within two (2) working days. Should the decision of the Plant Superintendent be unsatisfactory, the grievance may be submitted to STEP No.3 within two (2) working days thereafter.

#### Step No. 3

The Union Plant Committee shall meet as promptly as possible with the Management to consider the grievance and such meeting shall be held within seven (7) working days of the notification thereof *to* Management. The Union shall have the right to have a National Representative of the CAW present at any meeting of the Plant Committee and Management.

If Management does not give the other **a** written statement of its position within seven (7) working days after the Union-Management meeting has commenced, it shall be concluded that the grievance has been resolved in favour of the Union

4:04 If final settlement of the grievance is not completed within seven (7) working days after the Union-Management meeting has commenced and if the grievance is one which concerns the interpretation or alleged violation of the Agreement, the grievance may be referred by either party to an impartial umpire as provided in Article 5 below, at any time within fifteen (15) working days thereafter, but no later. The Chairperson will notify .Management of the Unions intention to appeal to arbitration.

#### ARTICLE 5 - ARBITRATION

- 5:01 Both parties to this Agreement agree that any dispute or grievance concerning the interpretation, application or alleged violation of the terms and provisions of this Agreement, which has been properly carried through all the steps of the grievance procedure outlined in Article 4 above, and which has not been settled, may be referred to an impartial umpire to be selected by the parties to this Agreement. The party wishing to submit the matter to arbitration shall, within fifteen (15)working days following the failure to reach a settlement at Step No.3 outlined in Article 4, notify the other party in writing, of its intention to submit the matter to arbitration, setting out the issues to be arbitrated.
- 5:02 Should the parties fail to agree upon an umpire within fifteen (15) working days of the notification of either party by the other party of its intention to submit the matter *to* arbitration, then either party may request the Minister of Labour for the Province of Ontario to appoint such an impartial umpire. The decision of the impartial umpire shall be final and binding on the Parties hereto.

- 5:03 At any stage of the grievance procedure, including arbitration, the conferring parties may agree to have the assistance of any employee(s) concerned, or any necessary witnesses, and may have, by agreement, access to the Plant to view any disputed operation.
- 5:04 Each of the parties hereto will bear jointly the expense and fee of the impartial umpire.
- 5:05 The umpire shall not have jurisdiction to alter, add to or subtract from, modify, or amend any part of the Agreement, or to deal with any matter not covered by this Agreement. The umpire, however, in respect of the grievance involving a penalty shall have the right to modify such penalty if in the opinion of the umpire it is just and equitable to do so.
- 5:06 An allegation involving the interpretation or violation of any provision of this Agreement may be lodged in writing by the Union with the Management of the Company, or by a Representative of the Company with the Union. Such grievance shall be lodged beginning with Step No.3. Should the parties fail to agree on settlement of the issue, it may be appealed to an arbitrator within the time and in the same manner and to the extent set forth in the grievance procedure in Article 4.

Such general grievance shall not be lodged unless the grievance could not properly be processed by an individual employee, and in any case the Union and the Company agree that a general grievance will not be used to circumvent any provisions of the grievance procedure.

5:07 The Parties will have the right by mutual written agreement, to change at any time limits set forth in the above procedure.

#### ARTICLE6 - DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

- 6:01 In the event of an employee who has attained seniority being discharged or suspended from employment, and the employee feeling that an injustice has been done, the case may be taken up as a grievance.
- 6:02 All such cases shall be taken up within three (3) working days and disposed of within seven (7) working days of the date the employee is notified of discharge or suspension, except where a case is taken to arbitration. A claim by an employee, who has attained seniority, that he has been unjustly discharged or suspended from his employment shall be treated as a grievance if a written statement of such grievance is lodged with the Plant Manager within three (3) working days after the employee has been discharged or suspended.
- 6:03 Such special grievances may be settled by confirming the Management's action in dismissing or suspending the employee, or by reinstating the employee with full compensation for time lost, or by any other arrangement which to the conferring parties may seem just and equitable. Any grievance not settled under this Article may be referred to Arbitration and an impartial umpire selected as provided by Article 5.
- 6:04 The Union and the employee shall both receive a copy of any disciplinary action taken towards the employee by the Company.

The employee or the **Union** representative shall acknowledge receipt of this notice by signing and dating all copies.

- 6:05 The term "working days" when used in this Agreement for grievance procedure shall exclude Saturday, Sunday and any Holiday's as defined herein.
- 6:06 Any discharged employee, employee on compensation or sick leave, or retiree, will be allowed to talk to a member of the Union Plant Committee on Company premises. Such meetings shall be limited to half (1/2) hour per occurrence and must have prior agreement with the Management as to time and place.
- 6:07 Any discipline against an employee must be within five [5] working days of the occurrence, or the company becoming aware of the occurrence, whenever practical, providing the employee is at work. In the event the employee is not at work, the employee will be disciplined upon the first full working day returned.

## **ARTICLE 7 - SENIORITY**

- 7:01 Fundamentally, the rules herein respecting seniority are designed to give employees an equitable measure of security based on length of service with the Company.
- 7:02 When an employee has worked a total of three hundred, sixty (360) hours for the Company in any period of twelve (12) consecutive months, he shall have seniority rights and be entitled to have his name placed upon the seniority list. His seniority will date from the day he actually started to work for the Company.

Accordingly, employees beginning work for Peterson Spring-Kingsville Plant shall have their names placed on the seniority list based on the following criteria:

- 1... Date of hire (the day actually started work);
- 2... Clock number (order in which hired).
- 7:03 An employee shall be considered to be on probation until he has acquired the required seniority as defined in Article 7.02.
  - 7:04 An employee laid off through no fault of his own during his probationary period, will be given consideration in rehiring, so that if he accumulated three hundred, sixty (360) hours time within a period of twelve (12) months of his first employment date he will be placed on the regular seniority list with seniority dated from his original hiring date.
  - 7:05 Probationary employees shall not have any seniority rights, but the Union shall represent them for the purposes of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, hours or work, and working conditions.

The Union reserves the right to grieve the termination of a probationary employee, if the termination is discriminatory, arbitrary or in bad faith.

It is recognized by the Company and Union that the standard and burden of proof that would cause a termination **of** a probationary employee is **less** than that of a seniority employee.

- 7:06 Seniority lists shall be kept current and shall he posted on the Company Bulletin Board and revised August 1st, November 1st, February 1st, and May 1st of each year.
- 7:07 The Company agrees to notify the Union in writing within five (5) days of an employee's completion of the probationary period.

#### ARTICLE 8 - LAY-OFF AND RECALL

- 8:01 Employees will be retained, laid-off or recalled to work in case of a reduction in the work force in accordance with seniority. The following procedure shall apply in the event of a lay-off and/or recall:
  - (a) All probationary employees will be laid-off first on all three shifts.
  - (b) If any further employees are to belaid-off, they shall be laid-off on a plant wide seniority basis, provided employees retained at work shall be qualified to do the work available.

Employees within department/classifications in which jobs have been eliminated, by inverse order of seniority within the department/classification shall be notified (if employees are to be laid off out of the plant, an equal number of junior plant wide seniority employees will receive layoff notices) of their right to exercise their seniority to displace an employee with less seniority in another department/classification providing they have the skill and ability to perform the duties in the classification or until no employees are able to exercise bumping rights. If the layoff is reversed or a vacancy exists or is

expected to exist or the classification again adds to itself, and the recall will be for a greater duration than the provisions allow in Article 25, anyone effected in this procedure shall return to his/her former job or home department (subject to Article 8:03 (a)). Conflicting shift schedule and unforeseen situations may arise during layoff, which will prevent the company from immediately recalling individuals to their home classification. Such cases will be discussed with the committee person as they arise and agreed upon, and in such cases the Company may utilize Article 25

When jobs are being re-established, or a vacancy causes recall from layoff, the procedure will be as follows with employees being recalled to either their Home Department or their Former Job on a seniority basis:

When an employee is to be recalled to their former <u>job</u> - Recall will be in seniority order. If an employee <u>is</u> recalled to their former job which is not their home department but one they had bumped into, they will be given the option to return to their former job or stay at their present job. If an employee chooses to stay at their present job, they will lose recall rights back <u>to</u> their former job, but not their home department. The next employee with recall rights will be then recalled in accordance to this article

When an employee is to be recalled to their home department - Recall will be in seniority order, and the employee will not have an option, they must return. An employee may be recalled to their home

department/classification before being recalled to their former job and will thenloserecall rights back to their former job. Employees will always maintain recall rights back to their home department/ classification.

- (c) Machinist, Millwrights and Electricians shall exercise their seniority within their specific classification before exercising their seniority plant wide, they shall not be subject to being bumped by other classifications unless by previous experience. Subject to the trial period Article 8:01 (d).
- (d) If a question arises as to whether an employee is qualified, he shall be given a maximum trial period of five [5] working days. During the five [5] day trial period, the employee will receive proper orientation and instruction and need only demonstrate during the five [5] days that they will be able to perform all aspects of the job within a reasonable period of time.
- (e) The Company will give five (5) days advance notice of layoffs whenever possible and will supply the Union with a copy of all layoffs and recalls.
- 8:02 The three (3) members of the Plant Committee will be retained in the employ of the company during their respective term of office notwithstanding their position on the seniority list so long as work is available which they are qualified to perform. The Chairperson of the Plant Committee shall have top seniority.
- 8:03 (a) Recall from layoff shall be in the reverse order of the layoff procedure, provided that the person next

to be recalled has the skill and ability to perform the job being re-established. If vacancies are created, whereas no employee currently in the plant (or laid off out of the plant for less than 6 months) hold recall rights, such vacancies will be posted in accordance with Article 26. Employees bumping or being recalled to a shift other than their current shift, will take effect the following week. Such layoff will not take place until the bump can commence.

(b) When the Company intends to recall and such recall is for a duration within the provision allowed in Article 25, then Article 25 will be utilized rather than recalling.

If an employee being transferred also happens to have recall rights, such transfer will not be considered a recall

If an employee with recall rights is on the shift and in the selected department/classification that has the availability to transfer from, they will be given the first option to the transfer.

If mutually agreed a recall may be initiated prior to utilizing a temporary transfer as per above.

The only time Article 25 could be utilized prior to recall would be according to this clause 8:03 (b) and if agreed upon per 8:01 (b).

NOTE The Company will supply the Union with an updated list of the last known address and phone number for each employee and notify the Union when changes are reported.

- 8:04 The Company will ask seniority employees for inventory work. Employees must have the skill and ability to do the inventory work. One (I) committee person shall be present during inventory, or an alternate will be appointed.
- 8:05 Due to lack of work, for one (1) shift or less, the Company may temporarily transfer the junior employee in the classification after offering such transfer by seniority. Such transfers will not exceed one (1) day per week/ or twenty (20) regular working days per calendar year unless mutually agreed.

Prior to temporary transferring or laying off employees the Company will canvass for volunteers to go home without pay, by seniority on that shift within that department/classification first, before bumping rights can be invoked.

#### ARTICLE 9 - LOSS OF SENIORITY

- 9:01 An employee shall lose his seniority standing and his name shall be removed from the seniority list for any of the following reasons:
  - (a) If the employee voluntarily quits the employ of the Company.
  - (b) If the employee is discharged and the discharge is not reversed through the grievance procedure.
  - (c) If the employee has been laid off and fails to return within five (5) normal working days after he has been notified to do so by the Company by registered mail addressed to the last address on record

with the Company, unless a valid reason for any delay is given.

**NOTE:** It is the employee's responsibility at all times to keep the Company and Union informed of his correct home address and telephone number.

- (d) If the employee overstays a leave of absence granted by the Company without securing an extension of such leave in writing.
- (e) If the employee is absent from work for more than three (3) consecutive normal working days without advising the Company and giving satisfactory reason for such absence
- **(f)** If the employee is laid off by the Company in excess **of** the following periods:

Up to five (5) years service-36 month lay-off Over five (5) years service-65 month lay-off

#### ARTICLE 10 - CHECK-OFF OF UNION DUES

- 10:01 All employees who are members of the Union as of the date of this Agreement will be required to continue to be members of the Union as a condition of employment with the Company. Any employee who is hired subsequent to the date of this Agreement shall become a member of the Union within thirty (30) days of his hiring and will be required to continue to be a member of the Union as a condition of his employment.
- 10:02 The Company will deduct from the second pay of the month of each employee who is a member of the

Union the monthly Union dues, initiation fees, and dues authorized by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Union

The Company will deduct from the second pay of the month of each employee who is not a member of the Union as at the date of the Agreement the monthly dues for general union purposes as authorized by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Union; and it shall be a condition of remaining in the employment of the Company that such employee authorize the Company to make such deduction

- 10:03 All sums deducted as above with a record of those from whom deductions have been made and amounts of such deductions and a list of those members who did not have Union dues deducted and the reason why no deduction took place shall be remitted by the Company to the financial secretary of Local 1769 of CAW by the 10th of the month following the end of the month in which the deductions were made. The remittance shall be by cheque.
- 10:04 The Company will include the annual amount of Union dues paid by each employee during the year on their regular T-4 slip.

#### ARTICLE 11 - HOURS OF WORK

11.01 The normal work week shall be five (5) eight (8) hour days, Monday to Friday inclusive. Shift changes will be posted at the time clock at approximately noon on Wednesday preceding the week in which the change is to take place. The Company will exercise fair shift rotation. An employee will not be required to report for a

shift other than the shift he/she has already worked, or is scheduled to work. In no case will an employee be required to work more than two (2) consecutive weeks on the afternoon shift or midnight shift subject to Article 8 and 26.

11:02 Effective January 1, 1979, the following shall be the normal hours of work for the various shifts and shall be posted at the time clock:

Midnight Shift (Will begin on Sunday)	. 11:30 PM to 7:30 AM
Afternoon Shift	. 3:30 PM to 11:30 PM
Day Shift	7:30 AM to 3:30 PM

(a) The Company agrees to a twenty (20) minute paid lunch for all employees provided at least one department/classification is working on a three shift basis. If no department/classification is working on three shift basis, a half (1/2) hour unpaid lunch will be provided and the hours of work will be 7:00 am to 3:30 pm for the first shift and 3:30 pm to 12:00 am for the second shift

Except that in Shipping/Receiving and Millwright, an 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM shift may be necessary and employees may be required to rotate should there be more than one person in the department.

- 11:03 The employees shall be at their work stations at starting times of each shift as well as before and after each break.
- 11:04 An employee reporting to work late shall have one tenth (1/10th) of one (1) hour's pay deducted for each six (6) minutes or fraction thereof he is late.

11:05 One [1] twenty [20] minute lunch break on Company time will be permitted on each shift at 12:00 noon, 8:00 pm and 4:00 am, respectively, in an area(s) designated by Management.

Management agrees to maintain lunchroom in sanitary conditions provided employees assist by using available garbage disposal facilities. Individual lunch breaks and rest periods may be varied up to thirty [30] minutes either way to allow for continuous operation of certain pieces of equipment when the occasion requires, however, not on a regular basis unless mutually agreed upon by both parties.

Participation would be on a voluntary basis provided a sufficient number of employees can be obtained to satisfy the requirements. If not, selection will start with the least senior employee and progress upwards.

Employees must have a minimum of six [6] total hours of credit in a given day to be paid for the twenty [20] minute lunch period. [Lunch period to be included as part of six [6] hours.] If the Company causes the employee to be sent home for lack of work, during or after the lunch break, the Company agrees to pay the twenty [20] minute lunch period.

I1:06 One (1) five (5)minute wash-up period will be permitted immediately preceding the lunch break and at the end of their shift.

## 11:07 Shift Change

All shift change requests must be handed into their supervisors in advance and will be considered and granted providing the following criteria is met:

- If it is agreed with another employee in the same department/classification provided such changes does not result in any overtime pay.
- Employees in the same department/classification who are different levels will be allowed to switch shifts provided the Company is able to operate efficiently.
- **3.** (a) In order to switch shifts both employees must be scheduled to work. Requests to have time off during the switched shift will be handled as if it was your own shift and so long as it does not interfere with production requirements it would then be approved by the supervisor. These cases will be handled on a consistent basis.
  - (b) If either employee switching shifts does not report to work, then that employee will have shift change privileges withheld for a six [6] month period. Exceptions to the above will be made upon presentation of a valid excuse for the absenteeism, or unless approved under 3(a).
- **4.** Shift changes will not be permitted for any longer than two [2] weeks.
- 5. Three [3] way shift changes will be permitted, however, employees on a switch shift will not be permitted to switch with additional person.

It will be the responsibility and accountability of both parties requesting the shift change to meet their obligation **of** attending work on the agreed upon shift change, or unless approved under 3(a).

#### ARTICLE 12 - SHIFT PREMIUM

12:01 Employees required to work on the afternoon shift will receive a shift premium of sixty cents [.60¢] per hour and midnight shift shall be paid a shift premium of sixty-five cents [.65¢] per hour.

#### **ARTICLE 13 - REST PERIODS**

- 13:01 The Company agrees to allow a rest period of fifteen [15] minutes duration once in the first [1st] half [1/2] and once in the second [2nd] half 11/21 of each shift as designated by Management.
- 13:02 An employee scheduled for two [2] or more hours of overtime before or after his regular shift will be permitted a ten [10] minute rest period between the overtime period and his regular shift.

#### **ARTICLE 14 - OVERTIME**

- 14:01 Time and one half (1-1/2) shall be paid for all work performed over eight (8) hours in a day and on Saturday. Double time, plus holiday pay shall be paid for all work performed on holidays. Double time shall be paid for all work performed on Sunday. Employees will not be asked to work more than 12 hours in any one day, other than emergency call-in situations.
- 14:02 (a) The Company recognizes that overtime beyond eight [8] regular working hours in any day, on Sunday and on holidays is voluntary. Should it be necessary to schedule an overtime shift on Saturday, overtime will be allocated in accordance with Article 14:00. With regard to Saturday overtime

the Company may schedule mandatory or voluntary shifts up to six [6] hours on each shift; however, not more than 2 consecutive mandatory Saturday's unless mutually agreed upon by the union. If there are insufficient volunteers to fill such an overtime requirement, after exhausting the sign up sheet, the Company will have the right to assign people to work in inverse order of seniority [lowest seniority first], among the employees in the department/classification usually performing the work on the required shift. Thirty six [36] hours notice will be given when a mandatory Saturday is required if possible, but no less than twenty-four [24] hours. No employee shall have the right to sign-off his/her overtime rights within their home department/classification.

(b) When the Company intends to work weekend overtime (Saturday, Sunday, or attached holiday), they will post a sign-up sheet by noon on the Wednesday prior. This sheet will contain the overtime requirements for the weekend. Employees will sign their name where they wish to work. All employees must sign up for their home department, if applicable, prior to signing their name to any other posted overtime area. The sign-up sheet will be taken down on Thursday at 10:00am. Any employee(s) who may be absent for the period the sign-up sheet is posted. must notify their supervisor by Thursday at 11:00am of their availability for weekend overtime. The weekend overtime schedule will be posted up by Thursday at 2:30pm. This schedule will be based on the accumulated hours as outlined on the list as per 14:03(b) utilizing home department employees, then matrix qualified employees, then employees

who have signed up (by lowest hours).

Saturdays and Sundays attached to a scheduled **Fri**day or Monday holiday as outlined in the Collective Agreement will be on a voluntary basis.

Sunday and Holiday overtime will be six [6] hours except under emergency situations.

Hours of work for the six [6] hour shift mentioned above would be as follows:

 Midnight Shift
 1:00am to 7:00am

 Day Shift
 7:00am to 1:00pm

 Afternoon Shift
 1:00pm to 7:00pm

## 14:03 Equalization of Overtime

The Union recognizes that overtime work may be required from time to time. The Company shall equalize overtimeamong employees usually performing the work in accordance with the following:

(a) Employees will be charged for overtime on the basis of hours worked.

#### Examples:

One [1] hour at time and half equals 1.5 hours charged.

One [1] hour at double time equals 2.0 hours charged.

(b) A list shall be posted on Thursday by 12:00pm of each week showing the accumulated overtime hours worked by each employee. This list will include the overtime hours accumulated up to and including Wednesday of the current week. All hours will be zeroed out on January 1<sup>st</sup>, of each year. The union shall receive copies of the Accumulated Hours Posted sheet, the Weekend Overtime Signup sheet, as well as the completed schedule for weekend overtime.

(c) In the event of overtime scheduled for Monday through Friday the employee with the lowest accumulated overtime hours on an ongoing basis within the department/classification usually performing the work on that shift will be asked. If after scheduling overtime, additional overtime arises prior to the original overtime being worked, employees will still be asked on the lowest overtime basis and this will be cause for rescheduling. When asking for overtime today for tomorrow, ask all employees currently at work, on that shift, in that department/classification by low hours. Once all have been asked, call the employees which are absent by low hours BEFORE using the matrix. When using the matrix the same applies. All employees available must be asked by low hour's order only.

The first 4 hours of Monday's midnight shift will be offered to those employees scheduled to work on the afternoon shift for that week (by lowest accumulated hours in the department/classification, then to matrix qualified employees).

The last 4 hours of the Friday afternoon shift will be offered to those employees scheduled to work on the midnight shift for that week (by lowest accumulated hours in the department/classification, then to matrix qualified employees). If the last 4 hours of the Friday afternoon shift is not successfully filled using midnight shift employees, it will then be offered to the employees on the dayshift of that week. Other than the times listed above, and weekend overtime, overtime hours will be attached to the employee's regular shift.

In the event of overtime scheduled for Saturday, Sunday or Holidays employees will be asked in order based on the lowest accumulated overtime hours, regardless of shift, as per the sign-up sheet described in 14:02(b).

If after scheduling weekend overtime, additional overtime arises for Thursday and/or Friday, prior to the weekend overtime being worked employees will be canvassed on the lowest overtime basis and this will not be cause for rescheduling of weekend overtime.

Overtime will be requested by the order of days required to work in accordance with this Article, i.e. If working both a Saturday and Sunday the Company will request Saturday first before requesting for Sunday overtime. Accumulated hours will include those hours asked for and agreed to but not yet worked.

(d) The Company will make every reasonable effort to give twenty-four [24] hours notice of overtime. In the event an employee does not get twenty-four [24] hours notice for Saturday, Sunday or Holidays overtime and the employee accepts the work, they will be paid for Saturdays at double time and for Sundays they will be paid at double time and one half and for Holidays at double time and one half, plus the Holiday pay. Requesting by lowest overtime hours and the additional premium rate will not apply to emergency maintenance work. An emergency is a sudden, unexpected occurrence. Any extra premium under this subsection will not be included in accumulated hours.

- (e) Should an employee be absent because of lay-off, sickness, accident, compensable injury, leave of absence or vacation for more than four [4] weeks such employee will be charged for the average overtime in their department/classification upon their return or maintain their current hours or whichever is greater.
- (f) If overtime has been refused by all employees within the department/classification usually performing the work it shall be offered on:
  - (1) Monday through Friday the person on the matrix who is qualified with the least accumulated hours on that shift providing they are not being scheduled to work in their home department/classification.
  - (2) Saturday, Sunday, or Holidays, to the person on the matrix who is qualified, with the least accumulated hours and providing they are not being scheduled to work in their home department/ classification.
- (g) In the event of an emergency or the requirement of

- a fully qualified employee, employees may not be asked on the lowest overtime basis. In all such cases the Company will advise the union.
- (h) An employee, who is reclassified from one [1] classification to another, will carry overtime hours with them within the new department/classification.
- (i) Employees temporarily transferred to another department will still be eligible to work overtime in their home department and will only be eligible to work overtime in the new department in accordance with (f) above.
- (j) If the notice pursuant to Article 14:03 (b) is incorrect, an effected employee or union representative shall notify the Company as soon as the discrepancy is known but no later than midnight the Wednesdayfollowing the posting described in 14:03 (b) and in order to avoid compounding errors the Company will reply to the employee or the union within forty-eight [48] hours of being notified and if disagreement still exists the union reserves the right to grieve under Article 4.
- (k) New Hires on the date that they will attain seniority will be listed on the overtime chart and charged with the highest amount of overtime hours recorded for all others within the same classification/department. Further, probationary employees are ineligible to work overtime unless their entire classification is scheduled for overtime and all seniority employees have declined the overtime assignment.
- (I) In the event an employee agrees to work overtime

and fails to arrive or leaves early, or reneges on his agreement to work overtime the employee shall be charged double the number of hours he/she failed to work, unless excused by Article 18 and Article 31.

- (m) Any employee not asked on the basis of lowest accumulated overtime hours, within their department/ classification, or who is qualified on the matrix, in accordance with Article 14 will be paid the hours they would have been asked to work, including the premium under sub-section (d) if applicable.
- (n) Anyone who is scheduled for a full weeks vacation when overtime is required in their department/classification will not be asked for any overtime during that week. When an employee is off on vacation for the date that overtime is required, they are to be bypassed when canvassing.
- (o) The Company will use the confirmation sheets when asking for overtime and when canvassing by phone the supervisor will inform a committeeperson of the employee being called and committee person may be present. The supervisor will document date and time of call.
- (p) The Company will maintain a matrix that will include all employees names, and jobs that they are qualified to perform in order to determine future training. Said training will be offered to all employees on a seniority basis in order that they may gain the necessary experience to work overtime in other departments/classifications that they are not currently qualified to perform. Operators may

require the assistance **of** fully qualified employees for minor adjustments and troubleshooting for short periods of time on that shift within the plant.

- (q) A temporary transfer on overtime will only be allowed in situations as provided in 14:03 (p) and to fill a vacancy until a qualified replacement is called in and reports.
- (r) Any cancellation of overtime will be for a valid reason only, Any cancellation of overtime, would be cause for rescheduling, provided time permits.

The parties agree to meet as required to deal with overtime equalization situations that come up which are not covered by this article. Additional language may be added to resolve said issues, but not to change the existing language.

Any and all additions may only be made between upper management and the Shop Committee.

Three (3) months following ratification, the parties will meet to evaluate the overtime sign up procedure with a view to correct any unforeseen problems that may have arose. Thereafter either party with two (2) weeks notice may cancel the sign up procedure and revert back to the former procedure.

Skilled Trades are not eligible for production overtime and production workers are not eligible for Trades overtime.

#### ARTICLE 15 - WORK BY FOREMEN

- 15:01 Foremen and those not covered by the provisions of this Agreement shall not perform work normally done by the members of the bargaining unit except under the following circumstances:
  - In emergencies. An emergency shall be defined as when in the performance of overtime necessities, the Company has:
    - (i) Been refused by all employees in the classification that normally performs the overtime, and
    - (ii) Was refused by all other qualified employees out of a classification in which overtime is being performed in, or
  - When the performance of work is necessary to prevent injury or damage to equipment or personnel, or
  - In an emergency situation to prevent the loss of life or injury.
  - **4.** For the purpose of instruction or training employees on approved training program as per letter of understanding #16.
  - Experimental work i.e. Prototype\Product development a bargaining unit employee will be present when appropriate.
  - **6.** In the performance of necessary work when production difficulties are encountered on the job,

the Foreman shall advise/assist the unit employee who **is** normally responsible for correction of the problem.

If any abuses of the above emergency provisions take place, the Plant Chairperson ordesignated Committee person has the right to contact top Management [Superintendent, Plant Manager, President] to correct the situation.

15:02 Adjustments of machine shall not be made during rest periods, lunch breaks, and shift changes by nonbargaining unit employees.

#### ARTICLE 16 - REPORTING ALLOWANCE

16:01 Employees who are scheduled and have not received reasonable notice not to report for work, and those who are notified to report for work and having reported are prevented from working through conditions under the Company's control, shall be paid for a minimum of four (4) hours at their prevailing rate.

As a condition of payment, the employee shall perform any available work which is requested of him by the Company during the four (4) hour period. Should the employee prefer not to perform the alternate duties, he may sign out and leave, thereby forfeiting any pay for hours other than those actually worked. Employees who sign out and leave under the above conditions will not be regarded as having been absent that day.

16:02 The expression "through conditions under the Company's control" as used in the preceding paragraph shall not be construed to include work stoppages in connection with labour disputes, acts of God, or power or water failure

#### ARTICLE 17 - EMERGENCY CALL-IN

17:01 Employees shall be subject to emergency call in at all times. If an employee who has clocked out and gone home is recalled to perform work he shall receive a minimum of four (4)hours pay at the applicable overtime rates, and the employee will be allowed to go home when the emergency work ha. been completed. When called, the employee will be advised of the emergency work to be done.

In the event of an emergency call-in, the employee with the lowest overtime hours within the department usually performing the work shall be asked.

Call-ins and call-backs will be by the lowest overtime hours on the shift.

Call-ins on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays will be by the low overtime hours in the department.

17:02 An employee called prior to his regular starting time, may work eight (8) hours at his regular rate and leave, or work up to the end of his regular shift and receive overtime pay for the time worked in excess of eight (8) hours.

#### **ARTICLE 18 - INJURY ALLOWANCE**

18:01 An injured/work related ill employee will be paid for the remainder of the shift on the actual day of the injury, upon furnishing medical evidence if a result of the injury the employee is unable to complete his/her shift. If the employee requires outside medical attention, he/she shall have their choice **of** doctor. In the event an employee is injured while on an overtime shift, they will be paid the balance of such shift and/or their regular scheduled shift at the appropriate rates. If an employee is injured on a regular scheduled shift, and said employee is scheduled to work overtime after his regular shift, the employee will be paid for the balance of the regular shift only.

The Company will make available transportation for such employee by ambulance, taxi, or employees own vehicle. If the injury warrants, the **first** aid attendant will accompany the employee.

If the employee uses their own vehicle provided mutually agreed by the Supervisor and the First Aid Attendant, for this purpose they will be paid thirty-two cents [\$.32] per kilometer.

#### ARTICLE 19 - VACATION WITH PAY PLAN

- 19:01 The date for determining vacation qualifications will be January 1st of each year. Each employee will be entitled to a vacation with pay in accordance with the following schedule:
- 19:02 (a) An employee whose starting date was between January 1 and June 30 of the previous year shall receive one (1) week vacation and four percent (4%) of his gross wages for the previous qualifying calendar year. An employee who started between July I and December 31 shall receive one-half (1/2) day vacation for each month or part month of seniority and

- four percent (4%) of his gross wages for the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive four percent (4%) of his gross wages for the previous qualifying calendar year.
- (b) An employee with one (1) year of seniority shall receive two (2) weeks vacation and four percent (4%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year or two (2) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employee has less than eight hundred (800)compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive four percent (4%) of his gross wage.
- (c) An employee with five (5) years seniority shall receive three (3) weeks vacation and six percent (6%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or three (3) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employee has less than eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive six percent (6%) of his gross wages.
- (d) An employee with eight (8) years of seniority shall receive three and one half (3 1/2) weeks vacation and seven percent (7%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or three and onehalf (3 1/2) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employee has less than eight hundred (800)compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive seven percent (7%) of his gross wages.
- **(e)** An employee with ten (10) years of seniority shall receive four (4) weeks vacation and eight percent

- (8%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or four (4) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employeehas less than eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive eight percent (8%) of his gross wages.
- (f) An employee with fifteen (15) years of seniority shall receive four and one half (41/2) weeks vacation and nine percent (9% of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or four and onehalf (41/2) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employee has less than eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive nine percent' (9%) of his gross wages.
- (g) An employee with twenty (20) years seniority shall receive five (5) weeks vacation and ten percent (10%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or five (5) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employeehas less than eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive ten percent (10%) of his gross wages.
- (h) An employee with twenty-five (25) years of seniority shall receive five and one-half (5 1/2) weeks vacation and eleven percent (11%) of his gross wage for the previous qualifying calendar year, or five and one-half (51/2) weeks pay, whichever is greater, unless the employee has less than eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying calendar year, in which event he will receive eleven percent (11%) of his gross wages.

However, in order to be eligible for vacation pay under 19:02 (a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h), an employee must have worked in the preceding calendar year.

- 19:03 The vacation will be taken within the current calendar year and the vacation pay based on gross earnings from previous calendar year, as entitled per 19:01 and 19:02.
- 19:04 Employees shall be paid their vacation pay immediately prior to taking of vacation or on the regular pay, assuming they give sufficient notice of their desire to draw pay. Any vacation not scheduled by November 15th will be paid out the last pay period in November.
- 19:05 The Superintendent or the Foremen will canvass all employees prior to April fifteenth (15th) of each year to determine the employee's desired vacation dates.

The highest seniority shall have preference when dates conflict. If the preferred dates are acceptable to the Plant Management, they will be granted, otherwise the employee, or employees, will be asked by seniority order to select alternative dates within ten (10) days of being notified by the Company. Employees not requesting specific dates by April 15th, must then take vacations so so not to conflict with those already scheduled, and two (2) weeks advance notice must be given unless otherwise approved by Management. The Company reserves the right to stagger vacations so as to maintain a reasonable work force in active departments.

19:06 The Company reserves the right to close part, or all of the plant for a vacation period. The employees shall be advised at least two (2) months ahead, in any event no later than April 15th of each year, of such shutdown so that vacation arrangements can be made.

- 19:07 An employee whose employment is terminated before he has taken his vacation shall receive vacation pay on a pro-rated basis on the above vacation pay rates.
- 19:08 If a paid holiday occurs within the employee's vacation period, he shall be allowed an extra day off with pay at the end of his vacation.
- 19:09 This Vacation With Pay Plan is subject to the provisions of "The Employment Standards Act" (Ontario) whenever such provisions provide greater benefits than this plan.
- 19:10 An employee will be allowed to change his vacation dates if he is on lay-off when his vacation period arrives provided this can be accomplished before October 3 1st of the current year, without adversely affecting production. Should this not be possible, the employee shall be paid his vacation pay in lieu of actually receiving vacation days. Any other vacation cancellation must be for a valid reason.
- 19:11 Employees having not qualified (less that eight hundred (800) compensated hours in previous year) will only be required to take off the amount of days equivalent to the days payable but still will be eligible for their time off entitlement if desired

#### ARTICLE 20 - HOLIDAY PAY PLAN

#### 2002/2003

Christmas Eve...... Tuesday, December 24

-	Wednesday, December 25 Thursday, December 26
	Friday, December 27
***********************************	Monday, December 30
***************************************	Tuesday, December 31
	Wednesday, January 1/03
Good Friday	Friday, April, 18/03
Easter Monday	Monday April 21/03
Victoria Day	Monday, May 19\03
Dominion Day	Tuesday **, July 1\03
Civic Holiday	Monday, August 4\03
Labour Day	Monday, September 1\03
Thanksgiving	Monday, October 13\03
Remembrance Day	Tuesday **, November 11\03

## Total # of days 15

### 2003/2004

Christmas Eve	Wednesday, December 24
Christmas Day	Thursday, December 25
Boxing Day	
	Monday, December 29
	Tuesday, December 30
***************************************	
	Thursday, January 1/04
Good Friday	Friday, April, 9/04
Easter Monday	Monday April 12/04
Victoria Day	Monday, May 24/04
Dominion Day	
Civic Holiday	Monday, August 2/04
Labour Day	Monday, September 6/04
Thanksgiving	Monday, October 11/04
Remembrance Day Th	ursday **, November 11/04

#### 2004/2005

Christmas Eve	Friday, December 24
For Christmas Day	Monday, December 27
For Boxing Day	Tuesday, December 28
	Wednesday, December 29
	Thursday, December 30
	Friday, December 31
For New Year's Day	
Good Friday	Friday, March 25/05
	Monday, March 28/05
	Monday, May 23/05
	Friday, July 1/05
Civic Holiday	Monday, August 1/05
	Monday, September 5/05
	Monday, October 10/05
	Friday, November 11/05

#### Total #of days 15

An employee shall be paid at his straight time rate for eight (8) hours for observance of the above noted days. If any of the above holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the employees are entitled to a holiday with pay on the working day immediately preceding or following the holiday.

An employee to be eligible for the holiday pay must meet all of the following eligibility requirements as listed below:

(a) The employee has seniority as of the date of the holiday.

- (b) The employee must have worked the next scheduled working day after, and a minimum of four (4) hours on the last scheduled working day prior to such holiday. An employee excused by Management from work on the last scheduled working day prior to or on the next scheduled working day after such holiday within the scheduled work week shall be deemed to have met the requirements of this paragraph (b).
- (c) Two (2) "Personal Paid Holidays (PPH)" per contract year will be granted by the Company, provided the employee has more than or equal to eight hundred (800) compensated hours in the previous qualifying contract year, and in order to be eligible for the PPH days, an employee must have worked in the preceding contract year. Employees are required to give one (1) week's notice for each PPH day. There shall be no carryover of a PPH day. An employee will be paid for any PPH day not used at year end. The Company reserves the right to stagger PPH days to maintain a reasonable work force in active departments.
- 20:02 If a seniority employee is absent from work on his last scheduled working day prior to such holiday or on his first scheduled working day after such holiday by reason of sickness or accident commencing within ten (10) calendar days of the holiday, such employee upon furnishing a medical certificate confirming such sickness or accident shall be deemed to have met the foregoing requirements.
- 20:03 If a seniority employee is absent from work on his last scheduled working day prior to such holiday by reason

of lay-off commencing within ten (10) calendar days of such holiday (except that this number shall be increased to twenty (20) for holidays falling between December 24th and January 1st) said employee shall be entitled to holiday pay for such holiday.

If an employee qualifies for the December 24th holiday, he will be paid for the balance of the Christmas Holidays.

- 20:04 Employees who are requested to work on such holidays shall be paid double time their regular hourly rate for all hours worked plus holiday pay.
- 20:05 When a specified holiday falls within an eligible employee's approved vacation period or during a period in which he receives bereavement or jury duty pay under this Agreement, he shall be paid for such holiday and receive the additional days off after such leave.

#### ARTICLE 21 - CLASSIFICATION AND WAGES

- 21:01 The wage and classification structureshall be as set forth in Appendix "A" and each employee shall be paid accordingly.
- 21:02 Upon ratification, all employees shall be paid in accordance to the wage schedule shown in Appendix "A".

This will include a one dollar and thirty-five cent (\$1.35) C.O.L.A. folded in, **to** the base rate for those classifications as shown in Appendix "A". Appendix "A" also includes an increase of seventy-five (\$.75) per hour for all classifications.

- 21:03 Effective December 11, 2003 all employees shall be paid in accordance to the wage schedule shown in Appendix "A". This will include an increase of seventy-fivecents (\$.75) per hour.
- 21:04 Effective December 11, 2004 all employees shall be paid in accordance to the wage schedule shown in Appendix "A". This will include an increase of seventy-fivecents (\$.75) per hour.

#### ARTICLE 22 - C.O.L.A.

22:01 The COLA payments in effect **prior** to ratification shall be folded into the base wage.

Effective December 11, 2002 and thereafter during the term of this agreement, each employee shall receive a cost-of-living allowance [COLA] as set forth in this section.

- 22:02 The amount of cost-of-living adjustment shall be determined in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index of the base 1986=100, hereafter **referred** to as the "CPI". The COLA adjustment shall be one cent [\$.01] for each 0.085 change upwards or downwards in the CPI, but in no event will a decrease in the CPI affect the base wage or COLA float nor will the COLA adjustment for any period be **less** than zero.
- 22:03 The first COLA adjustment shall be computed by comparing the three [3] month averages of the 1986 CPI for the May, June, July 2002 period against the August, September, October 2002 period. The next COLA adjustment will compare the August October 2002 average with the subsequent three [3] month average. The COLA

adjustments will be quarterly according to the following schedule:

#### Adjustment Dates on the first pay Period on or after:

# Comparison with the three-month Average for the following period:

March 11, 2003 June 11, 2003 September 11, 2003 December 11, 2003 March 11, 2004 June, 11, 2004 September 11, 2004 March 11, 2005 June 11, 2005 September 11, 2005

November, 2002 - January, 2003 February, 2003 - April, 2003 May - July, 2003 August - October, 2003 November, 2003 - January, 2004 February - April, 2004 May - July, 2004 August - October, 2004 November, 2004 - January, 2005 February - April, 2005 May - July, 2005

- 22:04 **COLA** will apply to all compensated hours including vacation pay, holiday pay, call-in pay, reporting pay, bereavement, sickness and accident, and jury duty.
- 22:05 In no event shall the total cents per hour COLA calculated and paid in December, 2002, March 11, 2003, June 11, 2003 September 11, 2003 exceed forty-five cents [\$.45]

In no event shall the total cents per hour **COLA** calculated and paid in December, 2003, March 11, 2004, June 11, 2004 September 11, 2004 exceed forty-five cents [\$.45] **plus** any allowancebeing paid in November, 2004.

In no event shall the total cents per hour **COLA** calculated and paid in December, 2004, March 11, 2005, June 11, 2005, September 11, 2005 exceed forty-five cents

- [\$.45] plus any allowance being paid in November, 2005.
- 22:06 Effectiveupon ratification one dollar and thirty-five cents [\$1.35] COLA will be folded in to the base rate for those classifications as set forth in Appendix "A".
- 22:07 It is intended that such COLA payments as specified in Article 22:05 be permanent, or folded into the base wage rate in the following contract.

#### ARTICLE 23 - HEALTH AND WELFARE PLAN

- 23:01 The Company as its sole expense will grant the following plans to all their seniority employees and to their eligible dependants including same sex.
  - (a) Ontario Health Insurance Commission Plan including semi-private room accommodations.
  - (b) (i) CAW Extended Health Services Plan. Private Duty Nursing Benefits limited to ten thousand dollars [\$10,000,00] maximum. Accidental Dental Coverage, Accommodation in Emergency, Ambulance Transportation [\$100,00 per trip], blood and blood products, Private Room in hospital, up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 Paramedical Services, Physiotherapist, Clincial Psychologist \$500/max per year; Speech Therapist/Pathologist \$200/max per year, Massage Therapist \$7.00 per visit up to a max of 12 visits per year, Prosthetic appliances, durable medical equipment and Gluecometor and Lancets, Osteopath \$500 max/year; Naturopath \$500 max/year, Chiropodist/Podiatrist including insoles, \$500 max/year combined.

- (ii) Prescription Services Inc., Green Shield Drug Plan equivalent to No. 3 with the exception of over-the-counter drugs that are not covered, in which is understood that this plan will be based on generic drug preferred [product selection] basis, with a \$2.00 co-pay. Mail order services for drugs will be available on a voluntary basis and the Company will waive the \$2.00 co-pay for using these services.
- (iii) Vision Plan will be covered at \$225.00 every twenty-four [24] months.
- (c) The Company will provide Group Life Insurance coverage to all employees at the rate of one [1] times annualized pay. This pay will be determined by multiplying your base hourly wage as it exist on January 1 of each year times 2080 hours. This amount will be rounded to the nearest \$1,000.00 and will be redetermined on January 1 of each year.

The benefit will be the same for the entire year.

- (d) Sickness & Accident benefits will be paid according to the Self Insured Sickness and Accident Benefit Plan, to be administered by Canada Life which ha. been agreed to by the parties and which forms part of the collective agreement.
- (e) A Dental Care Plan equal to or exceeding Green Shield Basic Prevention Plan 14. Included Orthodontic benefit [children only] at 50% to a maximum of \$1,000.00 lifetime. Crowns/dentures 50% every 5 years each.
- (f) In the event of lay-off; or leave of absence, all of

- the above insurances shall be continued in force for one [1] month following the last day **of** the month in which such interruptions **of** employment occurs.
- (g) The Company agrees all of the above insurances shall be continued in force for up to thirty |30] weeks for employees on sickness or accident leave.
- (h) Employees who supply a doctor's note for an absence indicating that they were unfit for work (at the employee's expense) will not be considered an incident towards an absentee policy.
- (i) The Company agrees to continue all benefits for all Workers Compensation cases for a maximum of eighteen [18] months.
- (j) Chiropractor Plan will be covered at \$400.00 every twelve [12] months.
- (k) Audio Plan will be covered at \$450.00 every thirtysix [36] months.
- (I) Long Term Care Plan will be covered to a maximum of \$10,000.00 every twelve [12] months.
- (m) Out of Province will cover \$1,000.000.00 every twelve [12] months for Emergency Services and \$50,000.00 every twelve [12] months for referral services [if not entirely covered by your Provincial Government Plan.]
- (n) Long Term Disability Plan will cover two [2] years own occupation, and after two [2] years any occupation up to age sixty-five [65] with a two

hundred ten [210] day waiting period. A benefit of 50% of your current wage to **a** maximum of \$2,000.00 per month with full CPP offsets. The InsuranceCarrier is the Administer of the plan.

The Company will assign a representative from the Kingsville Plant to work with the Union on LTD issues, should they arise.

- (o) Future Retirees Prescription Plan to be co-ordinated with Government Plan up to a maximum of five [5] years. Benefits will then cease for employees and their eligible dependants.
- (p) Upon the death of an employee, the spouse and children currently covered under the health benefits shall be covered one [1] additional year from the date and the employees death.
- (q) The Company agrees to provide accurate summary benefit booklets to all employees.
- (r) Common-law coverage after cohabitation after six
   [6] months. Employee must substantiate to obtain coverage.
- (s) Employees returning to work on a work hardening program (reduced hours) will be considered full time employees for the purpose of LTD and S&A benefits and eligibility requirement for same.

The above services listed are meant **as** a guide only, please refer to the Green Shield pamphlet for more detailed information and any exclusions.

23:02 If Management and Union mutually agree, the Company can switch benefit carriers or self-insure and/or self administer any benefit in this section 23 [except life insurance and AD&D], with the expressed understanding that such action will, by itself, cause no reduction or interruption of such benefits, or improvement in the overall benefits.

## ARTICLE 24 - TRANSFER TO SUPERVISORY POSITION

24:01 If an employee covered by the Agreement is or has been transferred to a position which is not subject to the **pro**visions of this Agreement, the employee shall retain his seniority he had attained prior to the transfer for up to one [1] month but shall not continue to accumulate or retain seniority after one [1] month in such position.

This clause may only be used once by an employee.

#### ARTICLE 25 - TEMPORARY TRANSFERS

- 25:01 (a) A temporary transfer may be used to replace employees absent for up to twenty [20] consecutive regular working days for the employee or the department/classification. Absences beyond twenty [20] consecutive regular working days will be filled in accordance with Article 26.
  - (b) A temporary transfer may be used when additional employees are required for up to twenty [20] regular working days for the employee or the department/classification in a calendar year. Transfers beyond twenty [20] regular workdays will be filled in accordance with Article 26.

- 25:02 Due to a shortage of work, the lowest seniority employee in the department/classification may be transferred as per Article 8:05.
- 25:03 When the Company transfers an employee pursuant to this article, the employee shall be paid the higher of his/ her regular rate or the rate of the job to which he/she is temporarily transferred.

Temporary transfers will be filed by assignment of an employee, in seniority order, who has the skill and ability to perform the job in question from the selected department/classification with the availability. An employee may refuse a temporary assignment if there is another employee with less seniority who has the skill and ability and is available to perform the job in question. The Union will receive a memo of all temporary transferred employees prior to transfer.

- 25:04 The time limitations of this article may be extended by mutual consent of both parties.
- 25:05 No one employee may be transferred under Article 25:01(b) and/or 25:02 for more than a total of twenty [20] working days per calendar year.
- 25:06 No employees will be transferred to an area where there is no current scheduled shift, except for emergency situations mutually agreed between the Company and the Union.

#### ARTICLE 26 - JOB POSTING

26:01 (a) If a seniority employee applies for the posted job, he will start his new duties within ten (10) working

- days provided, in the case of key employees, a suitable replacement can be found to fill his vacancy within the period of time. But in any case not longer than four (4)weeks.
- (b) In the event new jobs are created or vacancies whether temporary (in excess of the temporary transfer period) or permanent occur, the Company will post such new jobs or vacancies whether temporary or permanent for a period of three (3) working days before new employees are hired in order to allow employees with seniority to apply. Such posting shall contain date and hour of posting. In addition, each posting will include the job description of the job being posted. A copy of the job posting will be given to the Union Plant Committee Chairperson when the job posting is put on the bulletin board. Union Committeepersons may apply for employees who are absent during the posted period.

The Union will receive a copy of all applicants with starting level and rate of pay.

- 26:02 If no applications are received following the posting time, the Company may accept applications from outside labour sources. If job has not been filled from outside source in six (6) weeks and vacancy still exists, job is to be posted and procedure of Articles 26.01 and 26.02 will be repeated.
- 26:03 In the event two or more employees apply, the senior applicant will be awarded the job, subject to 26:07.
- 26:04 It is agreed that successful applicants to a job posting will not be permitted to re-apply for a permanent posted

vacancy for a period of twelve [12] months, unless the job is of a higher monetary value.

The Company and the Union agree that extenuating or unusual circumstances may occur where this time period may be mutually agreed upon to be waived. A successful applicant is an employee who is granted and accepts the job.

- 26:05 A designated area of the Company bulletin board shall be used for the exclusive purpose of posting job vacancies or new jobs.
- 26:06 All vacancies arising out of the original posting will be filled by the job posting procedure. Vacancies occurring during any period of posting may be filled temporarily by Management at its own discretion for up to a four (4) week period.
- 26:07 If the successful applicant currently holds recognition on the matrix for the posted position, he will not be given a trial period and is immediately awarded the job. If the successful applicant is not currently recognized on the matrix, he may, if he so desires, return to his former job within five (5) working days from the time of beginning the trial period. In unusual situations, this period may be extended by mutual agreement. After the five (5) day period, the successful applicant will receive the rate of pay in accordance with the job posted.
- 26:08 During the five [5] day trail period, the employee will receive proper orientation and instruction. The employee will receive the rate of pay of the job posted to/or their own rate of pay whichever is greater.

For openings in any trades classification the basic qualifications must be met before the trial period is instituted.

All postings will be at entry level other than trades.

- 26:09 If an employee who takes a job posting can, in the opinion of his Foreman, perform the same work a. the person he is replacing, he will receive the former employee's rate of pay or the rate he is capable of performing the job by previous experience.
- 26:10 Job posting will not be required when progressing in your department.
- 26:11 If at any time after three (3) days of the five (5) day trial period it is determined the applicant can adequately perform the duties of the posted position the supervisor will notify both the applicant and the Union Committeeperson at which time the applicant will render a decision whether to return to the former position or accept the new position. If the employee participating in a trial period, declines the position applied for, he/she will be disqualified from any future trial periods when bidding on this position.

#### ARTICLE 27 - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

27:01 (a) The Company shall grant a leave of absence in writing, to an employee, without pay for illness or accident. This leave shall be granted upon receipt of medical evidence to verify the illness or accident. Any person who is absent, with written permission shall not be considered to be laid off, and his seniority shall continue to accumulate during such period.

(Note: the form used when applying for insurance benefits shall suffice as medical evidence in verifying the illness or accident.)

(b) An employee will be granted a leave of absence, to accumulate up to not more than twenty-one (21) working days per calendar, for vacation, family reasons or legitimate personal reasons, and his seniority shall continue to accumulateduring such period. This leave will not be granted if it interferes with scheduled vacation, cause a departmental shutdown, or interferes with production requirements. If granted, this leave of absence will not have any bearing on the vacation entitlement of the employee.

#### (c) Parental, Maternity & Adoption Leave

The Company will grant maternity, parental and adoption leaves in accordance with the Employment StandardsAct. Seniority shall continue to accumulate during such leave and the Company will continue to provide all Health & Welfare Benefits including S & A benefits till the date of birth. In no case will such leave of absence be less than that allowed under the legislation in effect on the date of ratification of this agreement.

(d) The Company will grant leave of absence without pay, not to accumulatemore than four (4)weeks in one(1) year for not more than three (3) employees of which not more than two (2) can come from the same department, to serve as delegates of the Local or National Union or for representing a position of Local 1769. These caps do not apply to Article 3.08. Seniority shall continue to accumulate during their absence. Notice of such request must be made at least two (2) weeks in advance of such absence.

(e) Union employees elected or appointed to an office in the CAW National or Local Union will be granted leave of absence without pay or Company benefits other than pension and continuing seniority and will retain their seniority after termination of their tenure of office provided they report for work within thirty (30) days after said termination.

Notice of such request must be made at least three (3) weeks in advance whenever possible.

- (f) Employees who are on leave must notify the Company of their intent to return to work at least one (1) full working day preceding their return.
- (g) An employee with at least two (2) years seniority shall be granted a leave of absence without benefits for the purpose of going to school. Such leave shall be granted no more than once during the life of the contract, and no seniority shall accumulate during this leave of absence.
- (h) The Company will grant unpaid ELA days as per the Employment Standards Act. The unpaid ELA days will be administered separately and in addition to any paid time off provided for in this collective agreement or LOA provided under Article 27.

#### ARTICLE 28 - STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

28:01 The union agrees it will not counsel or authorize

- any strike, picketing, slow-down or stoppage of work during the lifetime of this Agreement.
- 28:02 The Company agrees it will not cause or sanction a lock-out during the lifetime of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 29 - HEALTH AND SAFETY

- 29:01 The Company shall make reasonable provisions for the safety and health of employees during the hours of their employment.
- 29:02 Protective devices and other equipment deemed necessary to protect employees properly from injury shall be supplied by the Company at no cost to the employees. Such equipment shall include prescription safety glasses where required. Lost prescription glasses will be replaced at employee's expense. Company will replace glass lenses with changed prescription. Glasses broken in work related incidents will be replaced by the Company. The Company reserves the right to fix price range and stipulate the source of these glasses. All glasses and frames must conform to CSA standards and have permanently fixed side shields.
- 29:03 The Company reserves the right to stipulate the terms and conditions under which protective devices are issued and used by the employees. The Company will confer with the Safety Committee regarding protective devices and will inform them of the action to be taken.
- 29:04 The parties agree to set up a Safety Committee; one (1) member to be appointed by the Company and one (1) member to be appointed or elected by the Union.

Both the Union and Management will have an alternate to serve on the Committee.

- 29:05 The Company agrees to abide by the laws of the Province of Ontario relating to industrial establishments.
- 29:06 After an employee has reached seniority status, the Company will contribute one hundred-fifteen dollars (\$115.00) in each year of this contract, towards the purchase of safety shoes. Proof of such purchase must be furnished upon request.
- 29:07 Safety Representatives will be provided with training necessary to carry out the duties of office in an efficient manner. Representatives shall be paid at their regular rate of pay when training takes place during normal working hours. Such training should be mutually agreed upon by the parties.

The Company and the Union recognize the necessity to train all employees in safe and healthy work practices. Qualified individuals on the Joint Health and Safety Committee shall be permitted to conduct mutually agreed upon training to all employees in every year of this agreement. All employees will receive annual WHMIS review as set out by the Health and Safety Committee. and new employees will receive a minimum of four (4) hours WHMIS training or as required under the Occupational Health and Safety Act Regulation. New employees may require such additional training as the Joint Health and Safety Committee deems necessary. Health and Safety talks will be inconjunction with the monthly supervisor meeting. The topics will be agreed upon by the Health and Safety Committee. But in no event will the Health and Safety talks be less than bi-annually and

during these Health and Safety talks a Union Health and Safety representativeshall be present. The Union Health and Safety Representative will be present during all training, and endeavour to provide such training.

No employee shall be required to work on any job or operate any piece of equipment until he/she has received proper safety training and instructions.

- 29:08 In addition to duties under the Health and Safety Legislation, the employee representatives will be allowed to leave their regular duties as required without **loss** of pay, for the purposes of the following:
  - (1) To inspect the facility on a regular basis (once per month) to identify health and safety concerns and make recommendations for improvements.

To inspect newly installed equipment prior to start up for safety concerns and such other matters that fall under the general heading of Health and Safety.

- (2) To accompany the department of labour representative when an inspection visit is made.
- (3) Employee representative shall participate in all investigation of accidents, illness and incidents to determine causes and propose methods of reducing the number of accidents, illness and incidents.

To receive, investigate and dispose **of** complaints in a timely manner and prepare necessary reports. Employee representatives shall attend scheduled monthly meeting, or emergency meetings when necessary, called either by the Company or the Union

and make recommendations for improvements. Minutes of these meetings will be taken and distributed to both parties.

- (4) The Plant Chairperson shall attend these meetings. The Plant Chairperson will accompany the Department of Labour Representative when an accident investigation is required and will also be present during a WCB Representative investigation of an employees WCB claim.
- (5) Time required by the employee Health and Safety Representative for health and safety matters will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (6) Workers shall have the right to refuse any job which they feel is unsafe to themselves or any other person withoutfear of penalty or discrimination. Upon refusing the job the worker will be provided with alternate work with complete rate retention until the unsafe condition is resolved to the JHSC's satisfaction.
- (7) Training required to become a certified Health and Safety representative will be provided for one (1) member from the Union and one (1) member from the Company on the Joint Health and Safety Committee, said training to be delivered by a mutually agreed to agency.
- (8) All employees rights and employer responsibilities under the current Occupational Health and Safety Act Regulations are preserved as minimum standards in this agreement.

#### ARTICLE 30 - UNION BULLETIN BOARDS

30:01 The Company will supply one glass enclosed lockable bulletin boards for the convenience of the Union in posting notices of Union meetings, elections, recreational and social affairs, union appointments, results of elections and union activities. All such notices must be approved by the proper official of the unit.

#### ARTICLE 31 - BEREAVEMENTLEAVE

31:01 When a death occurs in the immediate family of a seniority employee, such employee shall be granted three [3] consecutive full regular working days off with pay at their current rate, except in the case of an employees spouse or child this will be increased to five [5] consecutive days off with pay at their current rate. For the purpose of this clause Saturday will be considered a regular work day at straight time.

"Immediate Family" shall be deemed to mean: employees father, mother, husband, wife, child, grandchild, brother, sister, grandparent,, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, spouse's father, mother, grandparents, common-law husband, or wife, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, step related relatives as listed, and applicable relations to current spouse of record.

It is understood and agreed that the past practice of granting an excused absence without pay for a part day in bereavement situations shall continue. The part day excused absence will only apply on the day of notification of death.

- 31:02 Proof of attendance at funeral shall be provided by employee if required by the Company.
- 31:03 Employees with seniority shall be allowed one (1) day off with pay within three (3) days of the death of a niece or nephew, provided that satisfactory proof of death can be supplied to the Company upon their request.
- 31:04 If a death occurs while an employee is on vacation, he/she shall be allowed his/her days off with pay at the end of his/her vacation or will be allowed to reschedule hid her remaining vacation. If a holiday falls within an employees bereavement leave, their leave will be extended by the appropriate number of holidays and paid for such holidays.

#### ARTICLE 32 - JURY DUTY ALLOWANCE

32:01 A seniority employee who is summoned for jury duty or jury selection, including a coroner's jury, or who is subpoenaed to testify as a witness for the Crown or the accused or as witness in a civil suit, shall be paid the difference between the pay he receives for such duty or testimony (exclusive of travel allowance or reimbursement for expenses), and the pay he would have received to a maximum of eight (8) hours at his regular rate of pay, for my time lost. Employees who are not required to remain in court for a full day shall report for work within a reasonable time after being excused from court.

Employees required to serve on jury duty while on vacation will be able to reschedule their vacation.

#### **ARTICLE 33 - GENDER**

33:01 Whenever in this Agreement the Masculine gender is used, it would also include the feminine.

#### ARTICLE 34 - NO DISCRIMINATION

34:01 The Company and the Union mutually agree that they will not discriminate against any employee because of race, colour, age, sex, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, previous criminal record, political affiliation, any disability, sexual orientation, marital status, dependents of the employee, or status or membership in the Union

It is agreed that the Ontario Human Rights Code 1981 shall apply to the terms, administration and operation of the Collective Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 35 - NEW EMPLOYEE RATES**

35:01 Starting rate for new employees, except machinists and millwrights shall be One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) less than the base rate for the classification in which he is hired. Each one hundred and twenty (120) hours thereafter, he shall receive fifty (.50) cents per hour increase until reaching the level for which he has been hired.

#### ARTICLE 36 - PAY DAY

**36:01 1.** All employees must participate in direct deposit and the deposit will be made by 10:00am Thursday of each week

 Pay shortages of twenty dollars [\$20.00] or more, which are the fault of the Company shall be paid by separate cheque the day following the regular payday.

All other discrepancies will be corrected on the following pay.

The pay period is Sunday through Saturday.

#### **ARTICLE 37 - SCHEDULES**

37:01 Any schedules attached hereto shall form part of this Agreement. All letters of Understanding and Intent, attached hereto, shall form part of this Agreement including job description in Appendix "A" under separate cover.

#### ARTICLE 38 - TRANSFER OF OPERATIONS

- 38:01 In the event the Company moves the location of its plant in Kingsville, including equipment and machinery, and which move results in the lay-off of its employees shall have the right to move to the new location and retain the seniority each had acquired at the time of such move or transfer to the new plant location.
- 38:02 In the event Peterson Kingsville Plant moves to a new location outside of Kingsville and the majority of the employees exercise their right to move under Section 38.01, the Company will recognize the CAW and bargaining with it regarding a new Agreement.
- 38:03 In the event the Company changes its name, the terms

and conditions of this Agreement between the Company and Local 1769, CAW shall remain **in full** force and effect

- 38:04 If the Company ceases operations in Kingsville, Ontario and begins **a** spring manufacturing or an operation pertaining to springs within the Province of Ontario, Canada, and the majority of employees exercise their right to move, the Company will recognize the CAW as the new bargaining agent for all employees at the facility as described in Article 1.01 of this Agreement. All employees covered under the Collective Agreement in Kingsville may transfer to the new facility and retain their seniority accumulated to date of closure.
- 38:05 The Company agrees that in the event the Company, on its existing premises, changes the name of the Company, the recognition and terms of the Agreement will be maintained
- 38:06 Machinery which management considers surplus can be moved in or out of the plant without being subject to provisions of this Article 38.

#### 38:07 Partial or Total Closure

If there is a discontinuance of all or part of Peterson Spring - Kingsville Plant operation, an elimination of a job classification or department whether temporary or permanent, the Company shall notify in writing indicating the reason for the action and shall meet with the Union Plant Committee to inform them of the circumstances in detail and to discuss any feasible solution and review any possible alternatives including all aspects facing the effected employees. The Company will endeavour to provide as much advance notice as possible.

#### 38:08 ContractingOut

The Company will continue to utilize the current work force on work normally and historically performed by them and will maintain maximum employment opportunities for its employees within the plant, consistent with the needs of the Company.

#### ARTICLE 39 - FIRST AID

39:01 A First Aid Attendant shall be in attendance on each shift to render first aid when required provided that there is available on each shift an employee who has completed St John's Ambulance course and is willing to act as such and First Aid Attendants will be assigned and rotated as evenly as possible. The Company will ensure that there is a qualified First Aid Attendant on the premises on each shift.

The Company will pay the assigned attendant five cents (\$.05) per hour in addition to his pay for **his** shift.

39:02 To encourage employees to become qualified First Aid Attendants, the Company will pay an employee fifty dollars [\$50.00] upon completion of the St. John's Ambulance First Aid course. The Company reserves the right to limit the number of employees who may take advantage of this clause. The Company will pay the registration cost of the course also.

Bargaining Unit First Aid Attendants will be mutually agreed on between the parties.

39:03 First Aid attendants shall also receive training in C.P.R. application, the attendants shall receive their training from St. Johns Ambulance and shall be paid for by the

Company, (this will be implemented along with next First Aid Attendant renewal).

#### ARTICLE 40 - PRODUCTION STANDARDS

40:01 The right of the Company to establish and to maintain standards of production is fully recognized. The Company shall establish reasonable production standards on a basis of fairness and equity, consistent with quality workmanship, efficiency of operations, and the reasonable working capacity of normal operators.

The Company will give proper consideration to the conditions under which standards of production are established and a change of quality, methods, equipment, tooling or material, which results in a substantial change of the job content and/or rate of production will be reason for the Company to change standards of production.

Such changes shall be confined to the elements of work or methods which have been changed.

The Engineering Department shall establish production standards, basing them on part experience on the same or similar jobs or operations, or by time and motion studies.

The Union may question and process a grievance on production standards, following the regular procedure.

The Union, in the case of a dispute, shall have the right to bring in representative from the CAW Engineering Department. An Arbitrator dealing with a production standards grievance shall be a qualified Production Professional Engineer.

The Union Plant Committee shall be informed, in writing, the reason for, methods used and all particulars of any change made in production standards at the time such change becomes effective.

### ARTICLE 41 - NEW JOBS

- 41:01 Within five (5) days following the establishment of a new job classification, the Company will discuss and submit to the Union Plant Committee an occupational summary of the job classification and the rate of pay assigned to the new job.
- 41:02 If the Union Plant Committee disagree with the job classification or rate of pay, they may refer the matter to arbitration commencing at Step No. 3 as set out in Article 4 of the Grievance procedure.

# **ARTICLE 42 · TOOLS AND GAUGES**

- 42:01 The Company will provide all future employees requiring calipers and or micrometers with such. It will be the employees responsibility to properly care for them. The Company will repair or replace when worn due to normal wear or accidental breakage not resulting from negligence.
- 42:02 If additional tools are deemed necessary by the Company in order for an employee to properly perform his job, the Company will furnish such tools, but the tools must be returned to the Company upon completion of the job.
- 42:03 The Company will replace or repair Skilled Trades employees tools with same or comparable quality when

- broken or worn through normal usage on the job, provided wear or breakage does not result from negligence.
- 42:04 The Company will replace required tools [per prior list supplied by any employee and approved by the Company] if the plant is broken into and these tools are stolen as well as worn or broken under normal use.
- 42:05 The Company will replace required tools (per prior list supplied by any employee and approved by the Company) if the plant is broken into and these tools are stolen as well as worn or broken under normal use.

#### ARTICLE 43 - CONDUCT RECORD

- 43:01 The Company will use the conduct record of an employee for disciplinary action for a period of not more than twelve (12) months prior to the date of the action under review.
- 43:02 Employees will be allowed to see their conduct record in the presence of a Supervisor once every six (6) months, on their anniversary date and every six (6) months thereafter, or when disciplinary action is pending. Appointment with Supervisor must be made at least two (2) working days in advance to allow him to schedule time for this operation. Time of examination not to exceed ten (10) minutes.

#### ARTICLE 44 - JAIL SENTENCE

44:01 A Seniority employee who receives a jail sentence of ninety (90) days or less upon being convicted of an offense, shall be granted leave of absence equal to the term for which he is confined to jail and prevented from

reporting for work. In the event his conviction takes place for my reason other than a motor vehicle offense, the employee shall be responsible for all Company and personal welfare costs for the period of his absent.

#### ARTICLE 45 - DURATION OF AGREEMENT

- 45:01 This Agreement shall become effective the 11th day of December, 2002 and shall remain in force and in effect until the 10th day of December, 2005.
- 45:02 Either party may on ten [10] clear days' notice, in writing, require the other party to enter into negotiations for the renewal of this Agreement within the period of three [3] months prior to the expiration date and both parties shall thereupon enter into such negotiations in good faith and make every effort to secure such renewal.
- 45:03 The party giving the notice in accordance with Article 45:02 hereof shall at the same time as such notice is issued, and the party receiving the notice shall within ten |10| days of its receipt of such notice, respectively, present to the other party in writing any proposed modifications or revisions of this Agreement.
- 45:04 The Company agrees that they will purchase and supply copies of the collective agreement to each member of the local union at Peterson Springs Kingsville and will supply an additional twenty-five |25| copies.

## ARTICLE 46 - LOST TIME

46:01 The Company agrees to pay Union representatives for lost time while on authorized Union business and the amount will be billed along with the next Union dues remidance sent to the Financial Secretary of Local 1769. **A** detailed voucher signed by the Local President and Financial Secretary must be presented to the Personnel Office Monday a.m. in order to receive the pay that week with their regular pay cheque. **A** copy of the voucher will be sent to the Financial Secretary of Local 1769 with the dues advice.

## ARTICLE 47 - EXCESSIVEHEAT

47:01 The Company will allow employees to leave the plant who have become ill because of excessive heat in the plant.

Each employee must report, on an individual basis, *to* his supervisor stating the reason he wished to leave the plant.

The Company may request written medical evidence to support his claim of illness, when an employee continues to have the same problem on a ongoing basis if it has reasonable grounds to believe that the claim is not legitimate.

The Company and the union agree to consider other options, i.e. extra breaks during the summer months.

# ARTICLE 48 - PHYSICAL OR MENTAL ABILITY TO PERFORM JOBS

48:01 Consistent with the seniority provisions of Articles 7 and 26 of the current collective agreement, the re-employment of employees who become disabled as a result of illness or injury, the Company will provide work that they are capable of performing by observing the

reasonable accommodation guide lines and provisions of the Ontario Human Rights Code and the provisions of the Ontario Workers Compensation Act.

#### ARTICLE 49 - CLOTHING

- 49:01 The Company will supply at its expense up to five |5| pairs of clean coveralls per millwright, machinist, electrician and janitor per week or have the option of five |5| pairs of shirts and pants per week. Union and Management will determine if additional workwear in certain areas i.e. [paint and pack] are required. The Company agrees to supply at its expense.
- 49:02 The Company will supply to seniority employees requesting them, up to five (5) pairs of coveralls or up to five (5) pairs of shirts and pants provided:
  - (a) SO% of cost is shared by employee.
  - (b) A minimum of two (2) weeks notice to be given by employee wishing to start or discontinue this program.
  - (c) Source and maintenance service to be determined by Company and satisfactory to both parties.
- 49:03 The Company will supply to seniority employees, upon request, one (1) apron per year. These aprons will be selected by the Company and will be maintained by the employees.

The Company will also provide employees requesting them one (I) shop coat per year with 50% of the cost to

be shared by the employee and will be maintained by the employee.

#### ARTICLE 50 - PENSION PLAN

50:01 A Pension Plan was introduced and funded effective December 11, 1975. The details of the plan have been mutually agreed upon by both the Union and Management on November 25, 1976. The Company paid contribution at ewill be such that the benefit described in Article 3:01 of the Pension Plan [Normal Retirement Benefit] shall be multiplied by thirty-three dollars [\$33.00] effective December 11, 2002, thirty-five dollars [\$35.00] effective December 11, 2003 and thirty-seven dollars [\$37.00] effective December 11, 2004.

For all employees retired as of December 11, 1990, the retirement benefit will become \$12.50 per year of service. Employees who are terminated prior to December 11, 1990 and are vested for a benefit at a later date will receive a retirement benefit of \$12.00 per year of service.

- 50:02 It is the intent of the Company to amend the hourly employee's pension plan Article IX section 9.02 to include credited service for all present and future compensablehours including holidays, vacations, etc.
- 50:03 In the event the Company terminates the **CAW** Local 1769 Retirement Income Plan, any actuarially determined **surplus** will be applied toward the Company's contribution to a replacement plan **or** a pro rate basis to all active participants of the former plan (who would also become participants in the new plan). In the event the Plant is closed and the plan terminated, all **surplus**

- funds would be allocated to active participants on a pro-
- 50:04 The death benefit will be payable to all employees beneficiary in the event of a death of an active employee with no carve out for life insurance of AD&D.
- 50:05 The Union will be provided with all Pension related

## ARTICLE51 - NEW TECHNOLOGY

- 51:01 The parties agree that with the introduction of new techniques and technologies, it is important that advance planning be made to anticipate skills, needs and training required and will he discussed with the union in advance of such changes. When new technology equipment is acquired, the union will be notified before the machinery be received. In the case of new technology, the Company will attempt to train employees to operate or maintain this equipment.
- 51:02 To study the problems arising from technological changes ajoint committee comprised of the Union Plant Committee and Management shall be formed to discuss any information relevant to the proposed technological change including any new or increased health hazards associated with the new technology.
- 51:03 Article 41 will apply in the event new **jobs** are created by the installation of new technology and/or advanced equipment.

# ARTICLE 52 - CAW PAID EDUCATION LEAVE PROGRAM

52:01 The Company will grant to employees selected by the Union a leave of absence for 20 days of class time in any one calendar year plus required travel time where necessary for the purpose of attending the CAW courses on trade union functions. Such leave of absence may be broken into shorter segments during the 12 month period commencing on the first day of the leave. For this purpose the Company will contribute to the CAW Paid Education Leave Program an amount of \$1500.00 (fifteen hundred dollars) in each contract year and such contribution shall be made on March 15th of each contract year submitted to the National Union CAW at the Canadian Region Headquarters, 205 Placer Court, Willowdale, Ontario, M2H 3H9.

#### **ARTICLE 53 - HARASSMENT**

53:01 The Union and the Company recognize that harassment is an unlawful employment practice in violation of the Ontario Human Rights Code and that sexual, racial and general harassment is a course of vexatious comment or conduct or a sexual advance or solicitation to be known to be unwelcome perpetrated by a person's employer, someone acting for the employer, or a co-worker.

Employee complaints of alleged harassment will be investigated with all possible confidentiality by a joint committee consisting of a Committeeperson and the General Manager or the Plant Manager of the Company.

# APPENDIX "A" - CLASSIFICATIONAND WAGE

UPON RATIFICATION CLASSIFICATIONS	Upon Ratification Rates Include: \$1.35 COLA fold-in \$.75 General Increase	+ \$.75 12/11/03	+\$.75 12/11/04
Coiler - Entry	23.57	24.32	25.07
Coiler - Intermediate	23.85	24.60	25.35
Coiler - Top	24.82	25.57	26.32
B Heat Treat Grind/Shot Peen	24.00	24.75	25.50
E Paint Utility	24.00	24.75	25.50
Attendant Janitor Lift Truck Shipping/Receiving Dept. QC Electrician Machinist Millwright	22.17 22.17 23.80 23.80 23.87 30.06 27.86 27.80	22.92 22.92 24.55 24.55 24.62 30.81 28.61 28.55	23.67 23.67 25.30 25.30 25.37 31.56 29.36 29.30

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### LETTERS OF INTENT

## #1 - Set-up Coiler Progression

Under the Set-up coiler job posting it is understood that when there is a requirement for additional Coilers that the Company will post for the Set-up Coiler "Entry" Level

The successful candidate will be given a maximum of six [6] months and two [2] attempts to meet and successfully pass the test requirements of the Coiler Set-up "Entry" Level before progressing to "Intermediate". The test requirement is to fully operate all coilers within your home classification.

Employees will then be given a maximum of nine [9] months and two [2] attempts to meet and successfully pass the testing requirements of the Coiler Set-up "Intermediate" Level before progressing to "Top". The test requirements is to fully operate and Set-up all coilers within your home classification.

Employees will on a volunteer basis be allowed two [2] attempts to meet and successfully pass the testing requirements in department/classification other than their home department/classification. The voluntary test requirement will be to fully operate and Set-up all coilers within the classificationsoutside of their home classification which the employee wishes to be credited for on the overtime matrix as Set-up as described in 14:03 (p).

Should an employee not meet the testing requirements and is disqualified at the Coiler Set-up "Entry" and "Intermediate" Levels of the Certification Program, the

employee will be able to exercise their right to bump to another classification.

The employee may request at any time that they wish to be tested and the Company will administer the test within two [2] weeks from the date requested.

The Company will keep a detailed training log for each employee who is in the Set-up Coiler Certification Program and if the Company has not given adequate training to an employee within the prescribed time limits the employee will automatically receive the next pay level in the Coiler Set-up Classification.

When adequate training is given, the employee will be required to successfully pass the test requirements in "Entry" and "Intermediate" Levels to remain as a Set-up Coiler.

The Company and Union must mutually agree to extend time limits extenuating circumstances.

Training will be given to employees using seniority in the various levels as the criteria for selecting training schedules when the program is implemented.

An employee who has been disqualified shall not be eligible to apply for another posted **job** classification in coiling until at least one [1] year has elapsed.

Tests referred to above will be predetermined and designed for the particular machine in accordance with Letter of Understanding #16.

From the date the Certification Program is initiated the

time limits set out in "Entry", "Intermediate" and "Top" Level will begin.

# #2 - Occupational Classifications

Personnel within the Arvin Department/Classifications will receive fifty cents [\$.50] in addition to their regular rate as specified in the wage schedule.

# #3 - Loading Trucks

Employees in Department 50 - lift truck will not be required to load or unload trucks in Department O.

#### #4 - Stools

Company will supply chairs or stools in all departments/ classifications as needed. Company agrees that chairs will not be removed for punitive reasons.

# #5 - Work Allocation

It is not the intent of the Company to have employees working in one [1] classification and also performing work in another classification at the same time nor work on more than one [1] line in the class at one time.

In the event that advanced technology reduces the effort necessary to operate particular equipment this letter will be re-evaluated.

#### #6 - Fans

Company will provide fan coverage for all employees requesting same. Request shall be made to the department supervisor and shall cover the months of May through September.

# #7 - Employee Rotation

To enable employees to gain additional experience and training it is agreed that employees may rotate on a weekly basis between the various lines within their department/classification.

#### #8 - Work Assistance

The Company recognizes that due to the heavy nature of certain types of work at the Kingsville Plant, as well as the need for the aid in certain classifications and in order to prevent injuries to employees, they may request the assistance of another available employee when the need arises

# #9 - Student Help

The Company shall have the right to employ students during the summer months as attendants, in order to facilitate vacation shortages of employees. and for general seasonal clean-up. Such students shall be hired for a period not to exceed four [4] months, and will not be hired if anyone is on lay-off. Students will not be governed by the Collective Agreement as to seniority rights or benefits, nor will they be given credit toward acquiring seniority rights. Students will be paid two dollars [\$2.00] over Ontario minimum wage for students plus COLA and will be required to pay per CAW National Constitution per monthly union dues.

The Union agrees to indemnify and save the Company harmless in the event that an employee shall make other claims against the Company as a result of this deduction from the employees wages pursuant to the terms of this memorandum.

#10 -Janitor

There will be a janitor on each shift and they will rotate. The Company may have the janitors begin work one half [1/2] hour prior to the beginning of normal work hours and end work one half [1/2] hour before the end of normal work hours. It is the janitor's duty to carry out primarily janitorial services. In case the janitor is absent for one [1] full day or more, the Company will temporarily transfer another employee to the janitor's job. The Company will have a janitor on any shift when there is thirteen (13) or more employees.

Due to the reduced workload on the third shift the janitor may be reassigned to the attendant classification within the plant on this shift after completing his janitorial duties. The temporary transfer twenty [20] day limited will not apply to this classification on the third shift.

Maintenance men will not be expected to perform the janitor's duties. However, should the janitor be absent for less than a day, maintenance personnel may be required to perform the janitor's roll in cleaning dust collectors and filling propane tanks.

# #11 - Air Quality

The parties are currently reviewing the ventilation study performed by Beem to establish effectiveness of work completed and determine what further recommendations are required. The Company will maintain and strive to continually improve ventilation and overall air quality. The Company further agrees to hire a ventilation expert

to conduct a study of the ventilation system, including air make-up and air velocity within the workplace and make recommendations as to what improvements are necessary to ensure adequate ventilation, movement of air, and air make-up requirements, during the winter months and again during the summer months in the first year of the agreement. Upon receiving said recommendations the parties will meet to implement a plan of action and a timetable considering the priority and urgency of each of the recommendations.

#### LETTERS OF UNDERSTANDING

# #1 - Chief Inspector

This letter will evidence the understanding of the parties relating to the position of the Chief Inspector. This position shall be excluded from the bargaining unit. The duties of the Chief Inspector position are:

- Makes final determination of part disposition when required, and may use any testing equipment necessary to make that determination.
- Conducts special projects and surveys relating to product quality and performance.
- **3.** Investigates customer rejections and complaints.
- Supervises and schedules work of bargaining unit employees.

On the basis of the understanding outlined above, the Company withdraws its request that the classification "Quality Control" be excluded from the bargaining unit.

# #2 - Drug and Alcohol Abuse

The Company and the Union recognize that alcoholism and drug abuse are illnesses that can be treated.

The Company recognizes the importance of a continuous co-operative effort between the Company representatives and the officials of the Union to deal with substance abuse. It would be appropriate for the Union and the Company to periodically monitor these problems and the structure and effectiveness of the programs available, with a view to providing assistance to addicted employees, consistent with these employees' attitudes toward their problems.

It is understood that the programs such as "BRENTWOOD" exist for the purpose of assisting employees who are in need of assistance and continue on a course of treatment consistent with the stipulation of the program.

Nothing in this statement is to be interpreted or construed as a waiver of management's rights to maintain discipline in any case of misconduct which may result from **or** be associated with the use of alcohol and drugs.

The Company will submit Sickness and Accident claims for employees who are undergoing a prescribed rehabilitation program from drug and alcohol abuse, in accordance with the Sickness and Accident Plan. The decision to allow such a claim rests solely with the Insurance carrier and the Company has no obligation to do anything but submit the claim.

## #3 - Union Office

The Company agrees to maintain the current Union Office within the Kingsville Facility and supply a desk, chairs, telephone, filing cabinet and air conditioning. The Company will pay for local phone calls.

#### #4 - Pension Amendment

The Company hereby agrees to amend the current pension contract eliminating the cap of 30 years.

# #5 - New Employee Orientation

Union Information for New Employees:

The Employer agrees to acquaint new full-time employees with the fact that a collective agreement is in effect and with the conditions of employment set out in the articles dealing with Union security and dues check-off. A new full-time employee shall be advised of the name and location of his/her Union representative. Whenever the Union representative is employed in the same work area as the new employee, the employee's immediate supervisor will introduce him/her to his/her Union representative who will provide the employee with a copy of the collective agreement. The Employer agrees that a Union representative will be given an opportunity to interview each new employee within regular working hours, without loss of pay, for fifteen (15) minutes sometime during the first thirty (30) days of employment for the purpose of acquainting the new employee with the benefits and duties of the Union membership and the employee's responsibilities and obligations to the Employer and the Union.

If more than one employee is hired within a thirty (30) day period, the interview shall be conducted in a **group** of all such new employees, in which case, the interview may last to a maximum of thirty (30) minutes.

# #6 - National Day of Mourning

The Company agrees to allow employees one (1) minute of silence on April 28th of each year in observance of those workers killed on the job.

# #7 - Vacation Pay

The Company agrees for each employee taking 1 week or more vacation their vacation pay will be directly deposited, unless otherwise specified on their vacation schedule.

#### #8 - Tuition Refund

If the Company sends the employee to school, the Company will pay for all tuition, books, etc. prior to the course, and mileage.

If the employee requests further education courses that are **job** related they must follow these steps:

- The employee will obtain the proper authorization form from their supervisor, fill it out and have it approved.
- 2. The employee will pay for their own books.
- The employee will pay for all tuition and other expenses.
- **4.** At the end of the course the employee will submit tuition fees to their supervisor along with their grade

average which must be a minimum of "B" and the Company will reimburse the employee of the tuition costs

**5.** The courses must be job related or high school upgrading.

## #9 - Skilled Trades

The Company and the Union agree to negotiate an apprenticeship program when required. The apprenticeship standards shall be in keeping with the standards of the National Union\CAW. The apprenticeship standards when completed shall be considered as an inseparable part of this agreement.

No work will be performed in or out of the plant by outside contractors in an employees particular trade while skilled trade employees capable of performing the work are on layoff, except in the case of emergencies. An emergency is a sudden, unexpected occurrence.

The Company will post notices in the maintenance department at least twenty-four [24] hours in advance, where possible, of any outside contractors coming into the plant to perform Trades work [including Peterson engineers who may be working on new equipment that has not been released for production]. This notice will indicate what work will be performed by said contractors, the number of contractors and the estimated time of the projects being worked on.

It is understood that a bargaining unit tradesman will be present when an outside contractor is working on any piece of equipment, but may not be required **during** installation and debugging of new equipment. It is further understood, however, that a bargaining unit

employee will be present when a Peterson non bargaining unit person is involved with any piece of equipment which will include in-house training and in-house debugging of equipment that has been installed. A bargaining unit Tradesperson may not necessarily be involved in other situations such a. lift truck maintenance, or in cases where it would bemoreappropriate to have a bargaining unit production worker present.

The Company agrees to deduct the sum of one-half [1/2] hour pay per year as dues to the CAW Skilled Trades Council from employees hired, re hired, reinstated or transferred to a skilled trades classification upon receipt of individual authorization cards signed by such employee. Such deduction shall be made at the same time as regular Union dues and thereafter on an annual basis in the month of January. These deductions, along with the names of the employees shall be remitted to the Financial Secretary of the Local Union.

# #10 - Spare People

The Company and the Union may mutually determine the need for spare people in any department.

Once it has been determined there is sufficient need for such, the Company will post the position.

# #11 - Modified Work Program

The Company and the Union recognize the benefits of a formal rehabilitation program to provide a fair and consistent approach to the reinstatement of employees who are unable to perform their normal duties because of injury or illness in accordance with Article 48.

The parties agree to continue the established Modified Work Committee consisting of (two (2) Management) Benefit Representative, Health and Safety Representative and (two (2) Union) Union Representative Health and Safety Representative for the purpose of making every reasonable effort to provide suitable "Modified Work" to any employee who is unable to perform normal duties.

Employees returned to work under the modified work program will only be permitted to work overtime if modified work is available, however, any other overtime hours he/she otherwise would have been asked to work will be forfeited and charged according to Article 14:03 (e).

In determining the modified work available, the committee will first consider their home department/current job for placement. If that is not feasible all other areas will be considered.

### #12 - Out of Order Shift Rotation

If by mutual agreement of the parties, special skills are required for an emergency situation, employees may be required to work shifts other than their own and will be requested using seniority **as** the basis for this shift change.

An emergency is a sudden unexpected occurrence.

If the Company requires employees to work a shift other than their own it will do **so** by asking for volunteers in seniority order.

#### #13 - Sickness and Accident Plan

Peterson Spring-Kingsville Plant certifies that it has named the Human Resource Clerk as the administrator of the Sickness and Accident claims policy and the Accountant as an alternate administrator should the Human Resource clerk be unavailable.

Peterson Spring-Kingsville Plant further certifies that it will recognize **a** new committee formed to consult on disputed issues regarding Sickness and Accident claims. Such committee will consist of the Union Plant Chairperson, a Union Committee person, Human Resource Manager and the Accountant.

#### #14 - Demarcation

The parties have agreed to meet within thirty [30] days of ratification of this agreement to discuss and develop lines of demarcation between the trades classification and in particular what if any electrical work can safely and properly be done by Millwrights. This meeting will include representation from Management, the Union Shop Committee, the CAW National Services Representative and Representatives from the Bargaining Unit Tradespersons, a representative from the Ministry of Labour Health & Safety division if possible, and a representative from the CAW Skilled Trades Department.

No employee will be expected to perform electrical work which they are not authorized or qualified to safely perform in accordance with Ministry of Labour department of Health & Safety standards. Also during this meeting the parties will discuss future training needs in employees particular trade in order to anticipate future needs due to technological change.

#### #15 - Lunchroom, Washrooms and First-aid"

The Company will maintain the current lunch rooms and facilities for employee use. Clean sanitary washrooms and first-aid room will also be maintained. During the 2002 negotiations the Company agreed to expand the current smoking lunch room toward's the front of the building in order to gain access to the window's. This will take place within six month's of ratification.

# #16 - Training Program

The Company and Union agree to meet on a regular basis to discuss and review Future and Existing Training **Pro**grams. The Union may submit recommendations which will be responded **to** by Management in writing, and such recommendations will be carefully considered, however management reserves the right of final decision. All training considered, however management reserves the right of final decision. All training will be reviewed under this letter prior to implementation. The Company is committed to its training obligation under this collective agreement.

# #17 - Consistent Application of Collective Agreement

During our 1999 negotiations the parties spent a considerable amount of time discussing inconsistent application of various articles in the collective agreement [i.e.] leave of absence, switching shifts, which inconsistencies could be perceived as favoritism.

**As a** result of these discussions the Company has committed on behalf of all its management to strive **to** ensure that all articles in this collective agreement are applied equally for all bargaining unit employees whenever possible.

Further, the parties agree to meet monthly to monitor these situations.

# #18 - Management Commitment

The Company recognizes the importance of the Kingsville operation in the continued success of Peterson American Corporation, as can be demonstrated by the investment into this facility over the last year. It is the intention of Peterson American to grow thebusiness and to maintain the current business at this facility. The Company and the Union recognize that only through their continued efforts on quality and productivity etc. can Kingsville ensure its future.

# #19 - Disability Pension

It has been mutually agreed by the Company and the Union, that disability pension is no longer available through our Pension Plan for any new permanently disabled employees. Members currently collecting will continue to collect disability pension, unless they are no longer considered permanently disabled.

# #20 - Skill and Ability Matrix

Further to 14:03 (p) the Company has agreed to train employees on various **jobs**, that non-trades employees can perform, by seniority in jobs that they are not currently familiar with in order to enhance their opportunity to work overtime on more jobs and for the Company to have a larger group to canvass from for volunteers when needed.

The parties further recognize that this matrix will also allow more flexibility for the Company to grant vacation and leave of absence requests, and provide a larger group of employees to draw on for Temporary Transfers where needed. Finally, the lack of recognition on the Matrix will not impede an employee's ability to exercise layoff/recall/bumping or job posting rights under this agreement.

During the 2002 negotiations, the parties agreed that, within I week of ratification, the Company shall meet with each employee to complete a Matrix Training Request form. At this meeting, each employee is to identify where they wish to receive matrix training as well as identify any "dot" they wish to remove for overtime purposes. If a dot is removed, it will be considered to be an "inactive" dot for purposes of overtime; however, the employee will still be eligible for temporary transfer purposes. Employees who are absent will be interviewed upon their return.

Once all employees have completed the matrix training request form, the company will compile the training requests and establish a training schedule, prioritized by seniority. This schedule will be defined within 2 weeks from ratification

Training as per the schedule outlined above, will begin within 1 month of ratification.

Concurrent to the above, the Company and the Union will mutually determine and agree upon the specific training requirements for each area identified on the matrix.

Matrix training may be performed on either overtime or regular hours. Any employee who wishes not to be trained on overtime will be offered the training on regular time. Any overtime matrix training will be performed by an employee, after canvassing by the lowest accumulated hours, within that home department/classification; however, the trainees will be selected by seniority and not by lowest accumulated hours. Any overtime hours worked due to matrix training will be added to each employee's accumulated hours. The trainer for matrix training on regular hours will be selected by canvassing by seniority on that shift within the home department/classification. Temporary transfers may be utilized to fill vacancies caused by matrix training and not subject to the time limits of Article 25.

The Company will make every reasonable effort that once training has begun in a particular classification that they will continue the training until all initial applicants have been trained. The Company will make every reasonable effort that the above training for all classifications will **be** completed no later than one (I) year after ratification of this contract. If the matrix training has not been completed in any particular classification after one (1) year, than the Matrix would not be used in that classification at all until the training is completed.

Matrix training "dots" will be issued by order of seniority.

During the month of January, beginning the  $2^{nd}$  year of the agreement, and each year thereafter, employees will be permitted to apply for, or remove, their "active" dot(s) status on the matrix.

The Company and the Union agree to meet on a weekly basis to review the matrix-training schedule and resolve any issues that may arise.

## #21 - Disciplinary Records

The Company agrees to clear any and all current disciplinary records with the exception of attendance and harassment upon ratification of **the** agreement.

#### #22 -Workloads

Should disputes arise regarding the amount of job duties for department/classification during or after the plant reorganization the parties agree that the union reserves the right to process related grievances in accordance with the collective agreement including hut not limited to Article 41:02 of this agreement.

# #23 - Leaving Plant During 20 Minute Paid Lunch

Employees will be able **to** leave Company property for their twenty (20) minute paid lunch provided they swipe out. Employees who leave early or return late from lunch may be subject to discipline.

# #24 - Preferred Hiring

It is hereby understood that if there are employees laidoff at the Kingsville Plant and there are employment opportunities at the Windsor Plant, the Kingsville Plant employees on layoff will be given first consideration by seniority.

# #25 - Leave of Absence [LOA]

During negotiations the parties spent considerable time discussing LOA's and in particular situations where requests and or denials for LOA's have been unreasonable. The parties are committed to working towards a more reasonable fair and consistent approach to all LOA requests.

- I.e. 1. Someone with advance notice and a legitimate reason requests a leave, said leave should be granted.
  - Last minute or call in requests would only be considered in extenuating circumstances.

# #26 - Early Retirement Program

The Company agrees to offer an Early Retirement Program on a one [1] time basis under the criteria as follows:

- (a) Employee must be 60 years of age by December 11.2005:
- (b) This offer is for an unreduced pension for employees who opt for the early retirement program. The Pension Plan reduction factor will not apply.
- (c) Employees will advise the Company prior to April 1, 2003 of their intention to retire by July 1, 2003. There will be no extensions to this time limit.
- (d) Benefits will continue until age 65. However, the following items are not covered or amended for these retires: The provisions of 23:01 (o) still apply
  - 1. Semi-Private
  - 2. Nursing Home
  - 3. Long Term Disability [LTD]
  - 4. Short Term Disability (S&A)

Out of Province will be allowed to a maximum of sixty [60] days per trip.

## #27 - Overtime During Periods of Layoff

During negotiations the parties have had considerable discussion on overtime requirements when employees are on layoff. For it's part, the Union recognizes that certain situations are unavoidable and the Company in turn recognizes that to run a department or line on what amounts to be 3 shifts with 2 shifts of manpower for extended periods of time, is not acceptable in lieu of a recall

The parties will monitor all overtime while employees are on layoff to ensure that we are doing everything we can to recall employees.

# #28 - Assigning of Home Department Classifications

Upon ratification of this agreement. all employees currently without a "Home Department/Classification" will be assigned home department/classification status in the first department/classification they filled once leaving their original home department or their current department/classification.

# #29 - Moving Parts From One Line to Another

When the need arises to move parts from one department/classification to another, the Company will notify the Union in advance of such move and the reasons why such move is necessary. The parties will meet on an ongoing basis to discuss all aspects that may impact an employees rights under the Collective Agreement that could result from the above.

## #30 - Current Training

During the recent set of negotiations the parties spent a considerable amount of time discussing training issues and the lack of training.

Further to Letter of Understanding #16 and #20 and Letter of Intent #1 and any other training requirements the Company agrees that current uncompleted training including employees whom have not received adequate training in their current classification will be completed in a timely manner.

#### #31 - Trades Work

During the recent negotiations the parties discussed the amount of Trades work being performed by outside contractors.

Further to Letter of Understanding #9 the parties agree that during the life of the agreement activities in the Trades classification will be monitored to determine if additional Bargaining Unit Trades are required. It is further agreed that whenever the Company has an outside Trades contractor it will notify the Union (prior to if applicable) so that proper monitoring can take place.

## #32 - Doctor's Notes

The Company agrees to pay for doctor's notes under the following circumstances:

- 1) Third party assessment.
- Reassessment of existing medical issue whereby doctor's notes have already been submitted and paid for by the employee.
- 3) S&A in accordance to the policy.
- 4) Where the employee has medical forms or required medical information required other than the initial applications and supplementary report for LTD benefits.

This letter is not to be construed as contractual consent

to medical assessments, but only to outline when the Company will pay if these situations are agreed to.

# #33 - Pay Equity

Pay Equity will be reviewed to ensure the current legislation requirements for hourly employees have been maintained and the Company has filled its obligations under the Pay Equity. This will be reviewed within 6 months of the ratification of the Collective Agreement.

# #34 - Department Layout

Now that the plant transition is completed and the various lines are operational, the parties hereby agree that the jobs and duties on the various lines as at ratification of this agreement will represent that status quo. However, it is understood that it remains Management's right to modify jobs and duties it deems necessary and in conjunction with this Collective Agreement as per Article 2.

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