



The Canadian Merchant Service Guild

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CMSG Western Branch – Coquitlam, B.C.

Seaspan Impasse – Item 7

Results of Strike Vote Conducted on June 4th

Attn: CMSG Members at Seaspan ULC

Be advised that an extremely clear majority of the ballots cast in the strike vote conducted today were in favour of a strike. The ballot count was completed by the members of the referendum committee at 10:15 pm. In addition, the voting protocols and the counting of the ballots were overseen by an auditor from an independent accounting firm.

The issues that led to this impasse are described in detail in the bulletins on the Guild website. The Guild has not served the company with any strike notice and all Members should continue to perform their duties in accordance with the provisions of the Canada Labour Code and the previous contract, as they have been doing.

The Negotiation Committee is in favour of continuing to pursue the use of mediated arbitration to resolve this dispute and is engaged in discussions with the ILWU regarding this matter. The Guild will keep Members informed of developments by e-mail and on the Guild website.

Yours truly,

Capt. Mike Armstrong

Western Branch President