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To Local 1010 Members:

Sisters and Brothers,

As parts of the United States, continue to feel the impact of surges of new confirmed COVID-19 cases, it's ironic that almost half of all states are spiking at a faster rate than they had been earlier in this spring when Covid-19 first hit the U.S. We must remain vigilant in the fight against the Covid-19 Virus and do our part to slow down/stop the spread of the virus. We have in plant recommendations on social distancing, wearing of masks, and daily self-monitoring. This is for ourselves to protect each other the best we can with this Corona-19 Pandemic demonstrating that it is not going away anytime soon! I encourage all of us to continue to focus on safe practices at home, in public and of course at work.

Please Note: **EFFECTIVE MONDAY JULY 20, 2020**, USW Local 1010 now requires **“Wearing a Mask inside the Building”**. With the most recent advances of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Local 1010 has implemented this policy to help fight the spread of the COVID-19 VIRUS! If anyone does not have a mask, we will provide a disposable mask to be used during your visit at the Local 1010 Hall.

Week of July 19th Operations update:

- Our Riverdale Facility will continue production with operations at 4 crews. Steel orders for our Riverdale Facility are showing some short term stability and Steel orders for Riverdale are projected to be at this level though August.
- At Indiana Harbor East (IHE), overall operations will continue at about the same level for the week of July 19th. Even with the most recent mishap at 50 furnace, it appears that #4 Steel Production will maintain a 15 turn production level based on the current demand for automotive steel. The #4 Steel Production, 80” Hot Strip Mill, #3 Cold Strip facilities including the 29 Temper Mill, #5 Pickle Line, and 80” Tandem will continue operations. Our #3CAL Line will operate this week and management will reevaluate the #3 Cal Line

need to run based on orders. We will continue to report on our facilities as operational demands are very fluid and as more information becomes available.

- Unfortunately, ArcelorMittal Burns Harbor “D” furnace had a stove blow up yesterday. No one was injured which is good news! However, because of customer orders requiring more iron needs, I was notified today by ArcelorMittal Management that the company will be restarting Indiana Harbor West # 4 Blast Furnace. It is also expected that we will ramp up to full production at our # 4 SP facility as soon as more iron is available.

MTM/MTE Ramsay On-line Testing will be done the week of July 20th, 2020 at JobLink. See attached link <http://usw1010.org/images/RamsayTest.pdf> for all information. Please call Local 1010 Training Coordinator, Andres Maldonado at (219)742-3350 with any questions.

Please note that our Health Awareness Initiative (HAI) benefit has been revised for 2020 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The new HAI form is posted on the USW Local 1010 Website at <http://usw1010.org/images/HAI2020R.pdf>. The 2020 HAI verification and letter detailing the 2020 deadline extensions and the 2021 deadline change were recently mailed out to all members.

Post cards canceling this year’s 25 year picnic were sent out to all registered 25 year club participants. The Covid-19 Pandemic caused us to cancel this year’s 25 yr. Picnic. Our health concern for our retirees, active members and of course, all the volunteers who make this event possible, left us no choice but to stay safe and cancel the picnic. We look forward to 2021 as the 25 year Picnic will resume next year!

Note: the proposed 1010 by-laws changes have been posted in the Mill and are on the USW 1010 Website. <http://usw1010.org/images/BLC.pdf>

We have been out in our departments and continue to work with department representatives to ensure safe work practices are in place, the availability of cleaning supplies, facilities are cleaned, and social distancing guidelines are followed. The Safety Committee along with department representatives are also checking to verify that all suspected/confirmed cases of COVID-19 get the proper follow-up responses. Management is responsible to notify affected co-workers and to make sure that all affected areas are cleaned according to policy/procedures and CDC guidelines. All relative information is in the hands of your department Safety Advocates and Grievance Representatives. If you have any issues related to your health and safety that are unable to be resolved at the department level with your advocate or department grievance representative, contact the Local 1010 Safety Committee. All safety contacts are at <http://usw1010.org/safetydirectory.html>.

Local 1010 Safety Chairman, Don Jones is retiring effective 8/1/2020. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Don for his many years of service to Local 1010 members. Over his 45 years, Don served Local 1010 Members in the Grievance Procedure, on the Executive Board and of course, as a career long advocate for promoting Safety improvements for all 1010 members. Beginning, August 1st, Jayson Culp, (Currently Vice-Chair of Safety) will be our Local 1010 Safety Committee Chairperson. Jayson brings on his tenacious efforts to improve Safety for all of us here at Local 1010. We are also excited to announce that David Roque, (currently grievor of #4SP) will join our Local 1010 Safety Committee as Vice-Chair. Please join me in welcoming and supporting Dave as he takes on a new role representing Local 1010 Members.

As we look out for each other, be safe at work and at home. Remember our members and families that are experiencing health issues, keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

In Solidarity, Steve