



To The Members of Local Lodge 839 and 834

Subject: Lawsuit Filed Against the Boeing Company over  
Denial of Certain Pension and Health Care Benefits

Brothers and Sisters,

On January 20, 2006, the International Machinists and Aerospace Workers filed a petition in U.S. District Court to join the lawsuit, brought against Boeing by SPEEA in August of 2005, alleging violations of the collective bargaining agreement and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). The suit was filed because of Boeing's refusal to grant early retirement bridge benefits and retiree health care coverage to "laid off" employees that accepted a job with, or declined an offer with Spirit AeroSystems during the divestiture of Boeing's Wichita Commercial Airplane Division. Additional claims have been added to the suit by both unions who are awaiting Boeing's response to the additional charges.

CASE NO. 05-CV-1251 MLB  
Judge BELOT  
Mag. Judge HUMPHREYS

In Solidarity,

Steve Rooney  
President/Directing Business Representative  
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