



# TEAMSTERS LOCAL 710 CONTRACT RATIFICATION

FERGUSON WAREHOUSE

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## Newest Members at Ferguson Overwhelmingly Ratify First Teamster Contract

### Local 710 Secures New Union Benefits, Entrance to CTDU Health Plan

Twenty-nine Teamsters Local 710 warehouse members at Ferguson overwhelmingly ratified their first union contract by nearly a 7-to-1 margin. The agreement is in effect through March 31, 2019.

The contract follows that of the Local 710 Ferguson drivers with a Memorandum of Understanding detailing specific benefits for the warehouse members.

One of the top priorities of the Bargaining Committee during the negotiations was to switch from the employer-sponsored health plan into the Chicago Truck Drivers Union health plan, matching the drivers. Local 710 successfully secured this benefit for the warehouse members, saving many hundreds of dollars each month and providing superior coverage over the employer plans.

“Securing the union health plan for our newest members was a significant accomplishment,” said Local 710 Business Agent Bernie Sherlock. “The negotiating committee members stood their ground at the bargaining table to craft an impressive first contract.”

In addition to joining the CTDU health plan, members will receive wage increases of 30 cents per hour upon ratification. Wages will increase 50 cents per hour in years two and three, less any potential increases to the health plan.

Now, under a Teamster contract, the warehouse workers will also enjoy the benefits of being union

members, including defined seniority rights and a grievance procedure.

The 29 warehouse employees work out of three facilities in the greater Chicagoland area, with the main warehouse

located in Addison, Ill. The members work alongside Local 710 drivers handling the distribution and fabrication of plumbing supplies.

Teamsters Local 710 is an affiliate of Teamsters Joint Council 25, America’s premier labor union for Chicago, Illinois and northwest Indiana.

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