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Hello Local 46 Family,

It has come to my attention that recently some Members have had issues with the On-Line Bidding System, and Job Requirements when bidding on jobs.

When you enter a bid for an available job, please remember that you must be prepared to report to work immediately after Dispatch, unless otherwise noted on the Job Request. Once you receive the Dispatch, either via email or in person, you must contact the Employer right away to let them know that you have taken their call.

If the Member does not check-in with the Employer by 3:00 p.m. on the day of dispatch, they will be rolled off the books. This policy is in the Referral Rules and will go down as a "Quit" on your Job History. This is a necessary policy in order to keep our status as a Full Referral Dispatch Hall with the State of Washington. Losing your number, especially at this time, can be devastating to your financial stability.

Another item that I wanted to address is the Job Notes / Requirements on the Job Requests. We have had several instances when Members have taken jobs when they do not have the certifications and/or licenses that have been requested by the Contractor or required for the project. For the majority of these occasions, this only leads to the Member being turned around and having to re-register to the Books. What many don't realize is that this also costs the Member that is qualified for the job a day's worth of wages. We are all in this together!

If you would like to inquire about obtaining a certain certification and/or license, please contact your Education Director, Warren Shill, at (253) 395-6521.

Even though our Books are moving slower than usual, **there are still many opportunities to go to work.** Many nearby IBEW Local Unions are currently putting our Members to work, as well as Salting prospects, and work in the many Public Sector entities that we represent. If you're a Journey Wireman looking for work and interested in more work opportunities, please contact your Dispatch Office at (253) 395-6530.

Please contact the Dispatch Office at any time with questions!

In Solidarity,

Sean Bagsby, Business Manager / Financial Secretary
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