

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

February 13, 2009

Mr. Timothy Fazio
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Dear Mr. Fazio:

We are writing to you today concerning the strike at your facility, Moncure Plywood, in Moncure, North Carolina. We are concerned that the worker's labor rights have been compromised, and urge you to negotiate in good faith to reach an equitable agreement with the union. As you know, workers went on strike in July 2008, despite efforts from the union to procure a new contract. It is our understanding that negotiations with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers have stalled. A key stumbling block to a settlement is management's refusal to return the striking workers to their jobs while negotiations continue. Without the right to return to work, the worker's right to collective bargaining is undermined.

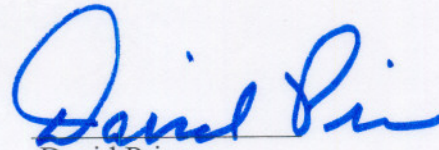
We were deeply troubled to learn that a meeting scheduled for Friday, February 06, 2009 was canceled. We urge you to reschedule these negotiations with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers as soon as possible to work towards a resolution of the strike.

In our current recession, North Carolinians are struggling to provide their families with the necessities of life. We urge your management team to return to the bargaining table and find a way to return these hard-working Americans to their jobs at the Moncure Plywood plant where they have dedicated so many years of service. We look forward to your response regarding this matter.

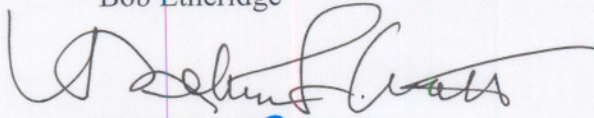
Sincerely,



Bob Etheridge



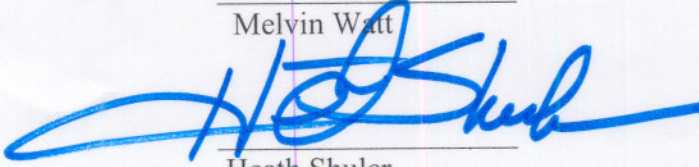
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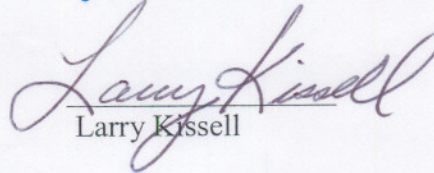
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