

Links to Union Coordinated Bargaining Efforts

It is not uncommon for unions who represent workers at common employers to band together and form a united front to achieve more power at the bargaining table and refrain from undercutting each other's efforts. Below are some examples around the U.S. where coordinated bargaining and action has been instituted

The Coordinated Bargaining Committee of GE Unions where 13 different unions that represent workers at GE have worked together for years as a coordinated united effort:

http://www.ueunion.org/unity2007_barghist.html

The United Steelworkers of America has entered into a number of coordinated bargaining efforts in various industrial sectors:

<http://legacy.usw.org/uswa/program/content/483.php>

The Communications Workers of America (CWA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) have engaged in coordinated bargaining at Verizon for years

<http://labornotes.org/node/1552>

The CWA and the IBEW have also formed a "Joint Mobilization Committee" at Avaya

<http://www.cwalocal4250.org/news/binarydata/April%2013.pdf>

In the last round of national handling, 7 rail unions came together to form the Rail Labor Bargaining Coalition. This represents a step in the right direction for rail labor.

<http://www.roanoke.com/business/wb/xp-16408>