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******IMPORTANT INFORMATION******

ATU-757 Member Trying to Organize a New Local

At a time when solidarity and unity are extremely critical, an ATU-757 member is attempting to split up our union. This means decertifying (breaking away) from ATU Local 757.

Things to consider if you are asked to sign a petition(s):

1. Thirty percent of the TriMet bargaining unit is needed to petition the Oregon Employment Relations Board ("ERB") to conduct a vote to decertify ATU-757 as TriMet's bargaining representative.
2. Thirty percent of the members from **each of the three** TriMet Lift (First Transit) bargaining units would have to file separate petitions with the National Labor Relations Board ("NLRB") to decertify ATU-757 as their bargaining representative.
3. Members cannot unilaterally create a new ATU local. A new ATU local number would have to be approved by and obtained from the ATU International Union prior to filing each petition.
4. If employees in any of the above-mentioned bargaining units voted for a new Union or ATU local, they would separate from ATU-757 with no assets, other than the dues that may have been collected during the pendency of the petition process.
5. If any of the above properties were to decertify and chose a different union or try to establish a new ATU local as their representative, the employer would have two options: Agree to extend the current contract or demand to open and negotiate a new agreement with the new representative. It is highly unlikely that any of these employers would extend the current contract.

In solidarity,

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