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Southern California Bargaining Approaching Crisis Stage Directly Impacts Northern California

Southern California grocery negotiations continue to be mired in crisis mode. The So Cal UFCW Locals have announced that if an acceptable offer is not put on the table by the employers soon, a 72 hour strike notice will be issued. The head of the San Diego local stated bluntly that "either we're going to have a deal or have a strike."

62,000 UFCW members work under the contract which is in dispute. The contract has been expired since March of this year. The major employers involved are Vons (Safeway), Ralphs (Kroger), Albertsons (SuperValu) and Stater Brothers.

Local 5 View of SoCal Talks

Local 5 President Ron Lind has been kept up on the latest developments in the Southland by the international union and the local leadership. That information is being made available to you in as quick a manner as possible. The status of talks is subject to change at any time so please keep up to date via your union rep, shop steward, the website, our Facebook page, twitter and our smart phone applications.

The union is in full support of the objectives of the SoCal locals and will support them for as long as it takes. Northern California contract talks are coming soon and we'll need their support then.