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IndustriALL Global Union in solidarity with the workers at Verizon in the United States

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I am writing to you on behalf of IndustriALL Global Union, which represents 50 million workers in the mining, energy and manufacturing sectors in 140 countries, to express our full support of the struggle by the unions at Verizon in the United States to protect quality jobs and ensure quality service.

We fully support your industrial actions against Verizon and your initiatives to find a fair and just solution for working families. We strongly believe that Verizon has a social responsibility to protect middle-class jobs and build a stronger company with its skilled and experienced workers, rather than outsourcing work. Furthermore, the company must immediately start bargaining with unions in good faith to achieve sustainable employment for the future.

We stand firm in solidarity with you in your struggle to change the company's position and keep good quality Verizon jobs in the community.

In solidarity,

Jyrki Raina General Secretary IndustriALL Global Union