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IndustriALL Global Union in solidarity with Community members at British Steel

Dear Brother Roy,

I write to you on behalf of [IndustriALL Global Union](http://www.industrial-union.org), which represents more than fifty million workers in mining, energy and manufacturing industries in 140 countries worldwide, to express our full support and solidarity with your struggle to save British Steel and protect the jobs of at least 20,000 workers, including in the supply chain, who rely on the steelmaker for their livelihoods.

We are proud of your determination to engage all parties to secure the future of the company, and convince the government to give British Steel workers a chance to continue contributing, as they have done so with great sacrifices for over 150 years, to the success of the steel industry.

British Steel is a troubled company that has been failed by successive governments and preyed on by financial speculators, with Greycor being the most recent. The worsening situation is the consequence of years of neglect, and has been compounded by the failure of the government to develop an industrial strategy for the steel industry. Therefore, it is imperative that all parties find an appropriate solution that takes full account of the importance of the steel industry, and the legitimate demands of workers.

IndustriALL Global Union sends our warmest solidarity greetings and support to all Community members at British Steel. Stay strong, you are not alone.

In solidarity,



Valter Sanches
General Secretary