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End the lock-out at Honeywell Operation in Metropolis, Illinois

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Dear Mr. Cote,

On behalf of 2,2 million workers represented by the IG Metall I strongly protest against the lock-out in your facility in Metropolis, Illinois. We are annoyed to hear of your company's irresponsible corporate decision to lockout the United Steelworkers Local 7-669 members at the Honeywell uranium conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois.

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The lockout is putting workers and local communities at risk. It is irresponsible to let unexperienced replacement workers do the potentially extremely dangerous work. During the last lock-out, there were two near-miss tragedies due to mishandling of dangerous chemicals, and management was cited by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for helping replacement scab workers to cheat on exams that ultimately allowed them to operate the facility.

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It is a good decision by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to step up its safety inspections, but it is a responsibility of the company to safely run its operations.

The union is ready to bargain in good faith and get back to work. In week-long negotiations the union has made significant moves, but instead the management bargaining committee refuses to change proposals including to eliminate 31 jobs.

News of this misbehavior sends a very damaging message to energy workers around the world. We expect an urgent reversal of corporate strategy by Honeywell at Metropolis, Illinois. Industrial relations there

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need repairing that begins with good faith bargaining from management and respect shown to the USW members, in line with all international labour standards.

Sincerely,



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