

STOP VEOLIA’S ILLEGAL, UNION BUSTING ATTACK ON USW 8751 BOSTON SCHOOL BUS UNION! REINSTATE THE FIRED UNION LEADERS!

Since day one of taking over the Boston school bus management contract on July 1, 2013, Veolia has committed numerous Unfair Labor Practices, violated nearly every term and condition of the drivers’ employment contract, and engaged in actions that have denied drivers legal pay for time worked. They have cut and overcrowded routes, putting student safety and on-time delivery in jeopardy in pursuit of profits.

On October 8, when drivers engaged in a legally protected protest of Veolia’s unfair labor practices, Veolia locked its gates and conducted an illegal lockout of the drivers. They then targeted 5 of the union’s officers and leaders, Grievance Chair Steve Kirschbaum, Vice Pres. Steve Gillis, Recording Secretary Andre Francois, and stewards Garry Murchison and Rick Lynch for termination proceedings, ultimately firing Kirschbaum, Gillis, Francois and Murchison.

This is a blatant, racist attempt to destroy a union that has won strong wages, benefits and rights for its members and exemplified solidarity with all workers. It has stood with Boston’s communities of color against Boston’s plans to return to racist, segregated neighborhood schools. This union, which is comprised of hundreds of mostly Black and Brown immigrants and is closely linked with the community, has fought racism, sexism, anti-LGBTQ bigotry, every war since the 1970's and practiced solidarity with all workers struggles inside and outside of union organizations.

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