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## **REYES/GREAT LAKES COCA-COLA OUTSIDE** WORKERS SECURE NEW AGREEMENT

Members Ratify Company's New Offer With Overtime Enhancements

Teamsters Local 727-represented outside workers at Reyes/Great Lakes Coca-Cola Distribution overwhelmingly ratified a new four-year contract on Dec. 27.

After the members rejected the company's previous offer on Dec. 6, Reyes/GLCCD came back with a revised last, best and final offer that now includes improvements to overtime pay and scheduling, limits on bulk stops for OFS routes and increased bulk drop rates. All wage increases also are retroactive to May 1, 2015.

"Overtime was a huge issue for our members, and their 'no' vote sent a clear message to management that they needed to do better," said John T. Coli, Secretary-Treasurer of Local 727. "Because our members stood together, they were able to secure a strong contract that gives them improved wages, benefits and working conditions."

The new outside agreement covers drivers, merchandisers, OFS, bulk, driver trainees and Class B drivers at Chicago and Alsip Reyes/GLCCD locations. Inside workers at the facilities ratified their new four-year agreement on Dec. 6. Both contracts, which cover about 500 workers in Chicago and Alsip, expire April 30, 2019.

In addition to the overtime enhancements and raise retroactivity, the outside workers' new contract includes annual wage increases, an improved grievance procedure, faster progressing times and just cause progressive discipline, lower health insurance premiums, and 50 percent company-matched 401(k) contributions.

Teamsters Local 727 represents nearly 10,000 hardworking men and women throughout the Chicago area.