

# Power Notes

## I.B.E.W. Local 2067

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### Heavy Maintenance Crew Arbitration Ruling

I.B.E.W. Local 2067 has received the decision on the arbitration in the matter of:

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 2067 (Union)

and

Saskatchewan Power Corporation (Employer)

Arbitration under the Saskatchewan Employment Act of grievance of 19-SPC-028 and grievance 22-SPC-005 and pursuant to the Collective Bargaining Agreement

The Union was successful, and the Arbitrator ruled in favor of I.B.E.W. Local 2067. This is a great victory for an issue that has been ongoing since the fall of 2018. In brief these are the two main points the Union has been awarded by the Arbitrator.

**From Arbitrator Ronnie A. Nordal- two paragraphs copied from the conclusion of arbitration decision:**

*“381. I find that Article 24.01 of the CBA requires SaskPower to pay travel time to HMC members assigned to temporarily work at PRPS from, to or between the temporary headquarters, which SaskPower has assigned as Coronach, by its direction that accommodations are arranged in Coronach, and PRPS (the work site). This requirement is limited to the circumstances set out in Article 24.01 of where the HMC is required to travel immediately before or after their working hours. SaskPower’s failure to do so constitutes a violation of the CBA.*

*382. I also find that Article 24.03 of the CBA requires SaskPower to either provide adequate transportation to HMC members, or pay employees who are required to use their own passenger vehicles, for travel between Coronach, SK and PRPS. If SaskPower failed to do so, its failure constitutes a violation of the CBA.”*

This is not only a major victory for the Heavy Maintenance workgroup but for any member that must work on the road and be away from their permanent headquarters. The Union has reached out to SaskPower regarding the decision and requested to meet to discuss financial compensation owed to the Heavy Maintenance work group with this award.

I.B.E.W. Local 2067 would like to thank the following Brothers for their direct contribution and dedication to the arbitration case: Brothers William P. Campbell, Keith Madu, Colin Popoff, Eric Sweeney, Vince Wawryk, John Curtis, Bruce Elson, Terry Rheindel and Jim Kolebaba. The Union would also like to thank the Heavy Maintenance work group since fall of 2018 for their patience and support as this case has been put together and presented. There have been numerous meetings, phone calls, texts, and emails. Truly, this arbitration could not have been won without the teamwork and help of the members.

In Solidarity,

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